Thursday debate on Iraq ultimatum

America seeks January 1 war deadline at UN

From James Bone in New York

tions Security Council to deliver an ultimatum to Iraq to vacate Kuwait by January 1 or face war, Western diplomatic sources said

James Baker, the US Secretary of State, said he had called a special session of the security council, to be attended by foreign ministers from its 15 members, to consider the draft 25 imposing a naval blockade resolution on Thursday.

"I think the council will vant to explore a resolution that would make it very clear solution that member states would favour. after a certain date to implement the prior resolu-tions," Mr Baker said.

"The clear message of such a resolution to Saddam Husin would be that there is still a chance to resolve this matter peacefully and politically within that time frame," he said. "We think this offers the very best hope for a peaceful and political settlement."

Diplomats from the five permanent members of the

Gunman kills four in Israel

military vehicles and a civil-ian bus near the Islaeli town of Eilat, killing four people and wounding 24 others, before running off towards the Egyption harder

In Israel's buffer zone in southern Lebanon, a woman detonated explosives strapped to her body, killing herself and wounding two soldiers in an-Israeli patrol

Alderman rout



Terry Alderman took six wickets for 47 runs as England collapsed to a ten-wicket defeat against Australia in the first Test at Brisbane. In Faisalabad, Pakistan fared little better with a seven-wicket defeat by West Indies Page 32

Leading article, page 13 Nature setback

Sir William Wilkinson, the outgoing chairman of the Nature Conservancy Council will tell the government this week that its reforms of the organisation have set back by years the cause of nature conscivation Page 4

Justice seen

The Bar's public affairs committee is drafting a bill which would end the ban on television cameras in court and pave the way for pilot projects on televising trials Page 5

CBI gloomy

The CBI has joined the most gloomy forecasters in predicting that output will fall for four successive quarters, from the last three months of this year, and manufacturing output will drop by 2.3 per cent in

Chelsea win

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Chelsea, without their captain Nicholas and leading scorer, Wilson, defeated Manchester United 3-2 at Old . Page 36

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THE United States is in New York, said it was Coast, Malaysia, Romania, asking the United Navirtually certain to pass. They Yemen and Zaire. He met hoped to distribute the text to earlier the Chinese for the ten non-permanent members of the security council

today, suggesting that the five

permanent powers had reached full agreement. Diplomatic sources said the to go ahead with the UN draft resolution would not resolution, Mr Baker telespecifically mention the use of phoned Eduard Shevardnad-Diplomatic sources said the force but would give UN approval to "all necessary means" to drive Iraq from Kuwait Similarly ambiguous resolution passed on August on Iraq so that China, which has repeatedly emphasised the need for a peaceful Arab

deadline for an Iraqi withdrawal of January 1, after which force may be used.

Mr Baker, who will chair the security council meeting, his return to the United States from a ten-day trip during which he held consultations with 12 other security council foreign ministers. "We're talking about a resolution that would lay the political founda-tions for possible use of force if we were unable to achieve a peaceful and political solution

to the crisis," he said.

The US build-up in the Gulf, designed to establish an offensive capability by dou-bling the number of troops to about 400,000, is expected to

be complete by mid-January. American officials have tently said that Washington would not push for a security council resolution authorising the use of force unless it was assured of succult for them to actually lose," yesterday. The administration sees UN endorsement of military action as the key to

ng support in Congress, which has begun to question the American build-up. During the past ten days, Mr Baker has met the foreign ministers of Britain, France and the Soviet Union - three

of the other four veto-bearing permanent members of the security council - and nine of the other council members, namely Canada, Colombia,

Ethiopia, Finland, Ivory

Both the Soviet Union and support a resolution which lays down a specific time frame for a peaceful solution.

The two possible obstacles

to the resolution being passed are a Chinese veto or the opposition of all seven nonaligned nations, which would mean that the measure would receive less than the required nine votes. American officials believe that China will follow the Soviet Union and at least Ethiopia, Ivory Coast and Zaire are thought likely to support the United States but Colombia, Cuba, Malaysia and Yemen are believed to be reluctant to endorse the use of

sented to the council until agreement on the text has been powers to make sure that there

Even if the Soviet Union and China abstained and the four non-African non-aligned nations voted against the resolution, it would still get the necessary nine votes to unless it was assured of suc- pass. Only Cuba and Yemen cess. It would be very difficulty abstained or world against any of the previous ten

> permanent member nations finalising a text to present to a debate today and tomorrow on Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait. The Knwaiti delegation plans to present a videotape giving evidence of human rights abuses and pillage in Kuwait.

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Saddam hostage

By NICHOLAS BEESTON IN BAGHDAD AND ANDREW MCEWEN

he hopes to deter an attack on his country by the allied forces. ranged against him in the Gulf region by influencing world public opinion through releas-

Ten British wives who arrived in Baghdad to see him were told at a meeting on Saturday that they could take their husbands home. President Saddam said he would in future put his faith in averting conflict by appealing to Western public opinion rather than political leaders.

Two more British women flew to Baghdad yesterday to appeal for the release of their husbands. Hilary Jones, aged 28, from Sunderland, and Anne Mansell, from Alder-

By MICHAEL DYNES

TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

The European Commis-

sion's motor vehicle working

group is being asked to accept

an obscure international regu-

lation, agreed by the United

mission for Europe in 1972,

specifying that bus gangways

must have a height clearance

This, says the British Bus and Coach Council, could

Economic Com-

a bus after all.

of 6ft 3in.

Another five wives plan to follow them next Sunday. More groups of Germans, Greeks and Italians were freed yesterday.

Tony Benn went ahead with a delayed visit yesterday,

No resolution will be pre-

second round of the party

against Iraq.
Diplomats from the five were hard at work vesterday the council on Thursday after

campaign goes on

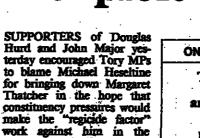
PRESIDENT Saddam Hus- maston, were encouraged by sein of Iraq has confirmed that the success of the earlier

President Saddam se

likely to continue meeting

visiting politicians. But Sheikh Nasser Mohammed al-Ahmed, Kuwait's minister of state for foreign affairs, attacked such visits, saying they increased President Saddam's kneel," he said. "Not governments, but others who are not in power are kneeling."

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leadership bettle tomorrow. In spite of talk from Mr Major's supporters of a win on the second ballot, most MPs are expecting the contest to go to a third ballot on Thursday. That could mean that MPs who opted for another candidate in the second ballot will have the chance to swap to Mr Hurd in the third ballot, in a

whom they least like. The three candidates face the last full day of campaigning today knowing that a MPs cannot have been telling the truth about voting

Mr Major, the chancellor, remains the favourite. His team insisted that their man had more than 150 "rock solid" votes assured. Michael Heseltine's campaigners said that he had at least the 152 votes he obtained in the first round ballot against Mrs Thatcher. And Mr Hurd's team said that the foreign secretary was "neck and neck"

with Mr Heseltine. The claims added up to more than 450 - and there are only 372 Tory MPs. Both the other teams said that they doubted the pledges to Mr Heseltine. But the Heseltine camp got its arithmetic right in the first round against Mrs Thatcher, to within four votes.

As yesterday became a gentlemanly battle of the interviews between the three candidates, Mr Hurd, who appeared initially to have been failing to keep pace with the fast-rolling Major band-wagon, injected a new note into the battle with a promise to look at ways of producing a more civilised life for MPs. He called for "major re-

forms" in the way government and parliamentary life was conducted, promising to give "urgent priority" to putting perliament's own house in order and to give more information to MPs and the public before the cabinet made its decisions. He said: "I ON OTHER PAGES will prove to be most people's Two pages of With the Major camp conreports and analysis . . . 2, 3 tinuing to make progress, Mr Hurd's team was targeting the Full page of

Summy outlook: the leadership favourite John Major, right, with his campaign manager Norman Lamont and supporters in London yesterday

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City Diary.....page 27 want to preserve all the best of our parliamentary traditions and to maintain the close scrutiny of what any government does. But we simply cannot go on with the hours that MPs work and the con-

ditions that they work in. "Secondly, we need more open government while maintaining necessary national security. Present legislation protects the latter. We need to look at how to have the most



sensible and open discussion

third ballot. I will come through the middle and win."

Hurd: describes himself as the "mity candidate"

on longer term policies."

Of his chances in the race, Mr Hurd told David Frost on TV-am: "I was thinking, reading the papers, that I have a ince and that come Thursday, I think it will be, because we will certainly get a

Mr Hurd's hopes now rest on seeing the contest enter a third ballot on Thursday. His campaign team believes that with Mr Heseltine being presented as the left-wing candidate and Mr Major attracover our domestic monetary the House of Commons will

not accept that at the moment, Heseltine vote in search of an and I do not think we should advance for their own man. concede that at the moment, The other camps felt that Mr and we will argue that case consistently in the European eekend in winning public Community, all of us." endorsement by Sir Geoffrey Howe and Nigel Lawson His campaign manager, might prove to be a double-Norman Lamont, chief sec edged sword, making it look as retary to the Treasury, said Mr though his supportera repre-Major had the "rock solid" sented the "assassins' party" of those who had clashed with support of more than 150 MPs and that the number was

and sought the downfall of increasing all the time. Mrs Thatcher. compared himself to Mrs Thatcher and said: "I think ing a little nervous of the rightwing endorsements he is receiving and mindful of the the Tory party will recognise that I have put them on the need to retain the second path to victory." He said on BBC Television's On the preference votes of Hurd voters if it goes to a third ballot, was yesterday at pains to emphasise too his belief in the Record that he commanded support in the regions, had the backing of people who had welfare state as "an integral deserted the Tories and had part of the British instinct".

the party. T've put the Conservatives ahead of the Labour party in a week," he said. "I've got the Conservatives to acknowledge that the damaging effects of the community charge have to be abated. Now, that is not a bad achievement for a week." He said his challenge to Mrs Thatcher had united the party,

transformed the fortunes" of

although he conceded some bitterness would remain. Mr Heseltine yesterday won his first all-important backing from the cabinet when David Hunt, the Welsh secretary, declared for him.

Mr Major, who yesterday won the endorsement of David Waddington, the home secretary, insisted that he was not running as the "Thatcher candidate". On ITV's Walden programme he said: "I am not running as son of Margaret Thatcher. I am running as myself, with my own priorities and my own programme,"

He promised, however, a tough Thatcherite line on Europe, saying: "I see no circumstances at the moment in which we could or would present legislation to the House of Commons to surrender more sovereignty to Europe". The chancellor ask-"Could we accept an

Hurd and Major supporters victory exploit the 'regicide factor' eludes Walesa ting the votes of most of the independent non-elected cen-right, the centrist Mr Hurd tral bank with external control tral bank with external control

From Roger Boyes

Outright

LECH Walesa, the Solidarity chairman, was the favourite to win Poland's first free presidential elections yesterday but opinion polls at the weekend showed that the contest would almost certainly have to be settled in a second round runoff with Tadeusz Mazowiecki. the prime minister.

The Polish media withheld the survey results in case they influenced the voting, but the findings disclosed to The Times showed that Mr Walesa had 33 per cent support: to win on the first round he needs 50 per cent, Mr Mazowiecki appeared to be narrowing the gap with his former Solidarity colleague and started election day with 27 per cent, while the Polish-Canadian businessman, Stanislaw Tyminski, trailed third with 18 per cent.

A violent scuffle broke out in Warsaw between youths waving black anarchist flags and nationalist skinheads wielding wooden clubs. But Continued on page 24, col 3

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Make sure

He added: "Let me make it

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strong supporter of the Nat-ional Health Service."

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Brussels aims to drive out double-deck buses

HAVING ruled recently that the carrot is a fruit because it is used in jam-making Brussels bureaucrats are now considering a proposal which might eventually declare that that the big red double-decker symbol of London is not really

> Threatened breed: buses in a London jam to provide sufficient head- tween 13ft 8in and 14ft 4in

part of the community's attempts to create a single market for buses, enabling vehicles made in one member state to be sold and used in mean an end to travelling "on every other. As most British top". The measure is intended double decker buses are be-

room for passengers not to high, the regulation would have to bow their heads, and is leave insufficient room for ground clearance chassis. floors and roof.

Increasing bus heights to

deck variety. But in Britain, where more than a quarter of the bus fleet is made up of double deckers, the effect would be devastating. The proposal, if accepted by the working group, would provoke outrage among Brit- quantity, and we do not expect ish bus manufacturers, opcrators and users, who are determined to prevent the measure being put forward in

draft directive on bus and coach harmonisation. The bus harmonisation prointernal market provisions of meet the regulation is not an option because of existing bridge restrictions in Britain. ity voting. As this excludes the said. Adoption of the UN regula-

tion for every category of bus, use of the national veto, the as advocated by France and measure could herald the end Spain, would have little im- of Britain's much loved doupact on the Continent, where ble-deck bus. Alan Gurley, technical director of the British Bus and most buses are of the single-

Coach Council, which is responsible for protecting the interests of bus operators and users, said: "Britain is the only one of 12 countries using double decker buses in any to receive a great deal of support from our European partners over this issue. "The threat we face is that

the working group will agree to use the UN's regulation the commission's forthcoming because of the growing pressures to have a directive in posals will come under the place in time for the comple tion of the single market. the Single European Act and Clearly, British negotiators be subject to qualified major- must prevent this," Mr Gurley

Ministers swing behind Hurd and Major as lines are drawn

POLITICAL EDITOR

AS THE rival camps line up for the second ballot in the Tory leadership election both Douglas Hurd and John Major have won significant backing from ministerial colleagues. Foreign and Home Office ministers are tending to campaign for the foreign secretary while Treasury ministers stick with the chancellor. Michael Heseltine has to rely largely on the support of former

Donglas Hurd was nominated and seconded by Tom King, the defence secretary, and Chris Pat-His campaign team includes Wil-liam Waldegrave, the health sec-retary, Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, and Malcolm Rifkind, the Scottish secretary.

Working with them are John

Tristan Garel-Jones, Foreign Of-fice minister of state, Lynda Chalker, overseas aid minister, Tim Eggar, Alan Howarth and Michael Fallon (education min-isters), and Nick Scott, social security minister. Also involved are Sir Giles Shaw, former trade minister, Timothy Raison, for-mer aid minister, Tim Yeo, Mr Hurd's PPS, and Andrew Mackay, PPS to Mr King. The Hurd workers also include

Sir John Wheeler, chairman of the home affairs select committee. Sir Peter Hordem, Julian Brazier, Henry Bellingham, Robert Key, Steve Norris (who voted for Mr Heseltine in the first round) and Ann Widdecombe.

Mr Hurd has been publicly supported by Lord Home of the Hirsel, the former Conservative prime minister, and by the influential figure of Lord Whitelaw, the former deputy prime minister.

Among the ministers supporting

Mr Hurd are Virginia Bottomley (health), David Heathcoat-Amory (environment), a member of the right-wing No Turning Back group, Richard Needham (Northern Ireland) and Tony Baldry (energy). Backbench supporters the consideration of the control ley, Matthew Carrington, Ian Taylor, Kenneth Carlisle, Peter Viggers and Andrew Hunter. John Major was nominated

and seconded by John Gummer, the agriculture secretary, and Norman Lamont, chief secretary to the Treasury. With them on the campaign team are Peter Lilley, trade secretary, Michael Howard, employment secretary, David Mellor, arts minister, and Robert Atkins, sports minister. Richard Ryder, junior Treasury minister, is playing a prominent role, as is Terence Higgins, chairman of the Treasury select committee, Ministers involved are Francis Mande, Archie Hamilton, Roger

Freeman, John Maples, Ian Lang, Gillian Shephard, David Maclesn and Eric Forth, and other helpers include Jeffrey Archer, the former deputy party chairman

MPs who are helping out include Graham Bright, Michael Jack, Tony Favell, William Hague, David Davis, Robert Hughes, James Arbithnot, Jacques Arbith. ques Arnold, Andrew Bowden, Anthony Coombs, Cecil Franks and Jonathan Aitken.

Other Major supporters in the cabinet are David Waddington, the home secretary, Tony Newton, social security secretary, and John MacGregor, Commons leader. Mr Major is expected also to have the support of John Wakcham, the energy secretary. Outside the cabinet a key backer for Mr Major is the former Conservative chairman, Norman Tebbit, believed to be capable of delivering the bulk of the rightwing vote. Other MPs who have

declared their support for Mr Major include Andrew Mitchell, Nicholas Bennett, Barry Field, Ann Winterton, Nicholas Winterton, Gerry Neale, one of Mrs Thatcher's campaign team in the first round, and Bill Walker. Michael Heseltine was nomi-

Michael Heseltine was nominated and seconded by the former sports minister, Sir Neil Macfarlane, and by Sir Peter Tapsell, once a Tory economic spokesman. His campaign team includes his long-time aides Keith Hampson and Michael Mates (now in the Middle East with the defence select committee). A key acquisition was David Trippier, Conservative party deputy chairman, who is in charge of the party's effort in marginal sears. He is helping Mr Heseltine to concentrate on MPs in northern marginal scats.

Sir lan Gilmour, former cabinet minister, is an active helper, are some other former min-

isters John Lee, Jerry Wiggin and Sir Philip Goodhart. Other helpers are Spencer Batiste, Anthony Beaumont Dark, Derek Conway, Patrick Cormack, Julian Critchley, Quentin Davies, Tim Devlin, Terry Dicks, Den Dover, Sir Peter Emery, David Evans, Alan Haselhurst, Barney Hayhoe, Christopher Hawkins, Jerry Hayes, Kenneth Hind, Michael Knowles, David Knox, Michael Latham, Kerth Mans, Tony Marlow, Michael Morris, Sir Charles Morrison, Tony Nelson, David Nicholson, Emma Nicholson, Elizabeth Peacock, Barry Porter, William Powell, Sir David

Price, Keith Raffan, Nicholas Soames, Robin Squire, Peter Temple-Morris, Malcolm Thorn-ton, Sir Dennis Walters, Charles

Wardle, Kenneth Warren and Bowen Wells. Mr Heseltine's only declared supporter within the cabinet is David Hunt, Welsh secretary,

Wyn Roberts and Ian Grist, have also backed the Heseltine campaign. It is outside the current cabinet that Mr Heschine has secured his most heavyweight backers in the shape of Sir Geoffrey Howe, the former deputy prime minister. Nigel Lawson, theformer chanceller,

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and Lord Carrington, a former foreign secretary. They have been joined by Peter Walker, the former Welsh secretary, and other former colleagues Lord Prior, Lord Rippos, Paul Channon and David Howell. Mr Heseltine has won the

support of some right-wingers, including the junior minister Edward Leigh, Dame Jill Knight, John Cartisle and James Pawsey, chairman of the backbench edu cation committee. Other supporters include Ivor Stanbrook, Sir Authory Buck, a former minister,



Back on parade: the Heseltines took to the grounds at Theoford Manor again yesterday for the press **HESELTINE CAMPAIGN**

'Radical contender' promises unity and collective decisions

By SHEILA GUNN

MICHAEL Heseltine said he was the true inheritor of the Thatcher tradition and the radical contender in the leadership challenge. He also emphasised his ability yesterday to work with Douglas Hurd and John Major.

He promised collective cabinet government, but claimed there was "not a flicker of truth" in suggestions that he was too excitable to deal with events like the confrontation in the Gulf. He could also offer something different to the other two candidates.

"Mrs Thatcher had to do some very difficult and tough things which required a strength of pressions. I think that with a new leadership challenge, a growing

by definition have a new style, and new personality, different phrases and a different way of presenting arguments."

He recognised the problems in changing the poll tax.

"I know enough about local government finance [as a former environment secretary], having been at the heart of it all through the 1970s and through half of the 1980s, to know that it is not a simple thing to do. It is a matter that requires the advice of the civil service and the widest consultation within the parliamentary

party.
"But if it has secured, as a result character that left its own im- of my decision to enter the

from The Mouth of The Lour.

DRINKING

IN ABERLOUR.

HAVE YOU noticed, I wonder, how many comprhations bear

For instance, Luton clearly derives from the Anglo-Saxon

Zon-town, along with its sister-city of Dung-Stable denoting

the site of the largest public conveniences on the mediaval

Watford is clearly of more recent provenance, properly "What

While the name of York, can be traced directly back to the

Old Norse"Yuk", meaning "yuk", this being the first utter-

ance attributed to ERIK BLOODBATH on his first exploration

Be all this as it may, precious few settlements can claim to

Though Slough could be most appropriately

And it's hardly common knowledge even amongst malt

whisky buffs that Aberlour Single Malt did, in fact, put the

For, in 1889, the town's elders voted to restyle their domicile

And personally I must confess an abject aversion to travel,

Being more than content to while away the days here plumb

in honour of their favoured tipple. ('Aberlour'. Literally 'Month

of the Lour', the clear mountain stream that feeds the distillery.)

PREKLOUP

SINGLE SPEYSIDE MALT

re-christened Mars, being as desolate and

devoid of life as the ruddy planet itself.

Indeed, as far as we know, there is but one..

town of the same name on the map. In every sense.

in the midst of Speyside, drinking in Aberlour.

have derived their name from the very product of their toil

for?", representing a humble burgher's comment upon concrete

shopping precincles, multi-storey car parks et al circa 1964.

nomenclature apposite to their particular characteristics?

pilgrim's way from York to Canterbury.

of the boggy site early in the ninth century.

have to be abated."

themselves.

He would make no commitments on increased public spending on education, inner cities or

cellor's "hard ecu" proposals but wants an independent Bank of England. He has repeatedly supported moves towards greater unity within the European

Community.
Unity/working with the other contestants: "I do not see a unity problem." He would welcome Mr Hurd

and Mr Major keeping their present cabinet posts in his gov-

extremely well." He said he would be happy to serve in a government headed by either of the other two leadership

these matters, I chose Norman Tebbit, Cecil Parkinson, John

"These are all people who would be associated with the right and I chose them deliberately

in the regions, had the backing of people who had deserted the Tories and had transformed the fortunes of the party.



Poll tax: "I have made it quite clear there will be a fundamental review. But you cannot argue, as I do very strongly, for collective cabinet government and try to

pre-empt any conclusions." Any tax, he said must be fair.

There was also the option of switching education funding from local to central government. "This could be done only at a phased pace unless one was to contemnlate increases in taxes.

"I've got the Conservatives to acknowledge that the damaging

Economy: Mr Heseltine said that when in the cabinet he counted the pennics on the principle that the pounds looked after

the public services. "I was always one of those who, if they argued for more public expenditure in a particular field, showed where the cuts would come from to pay for

Europe: He supported the chan-

"I have not the slightest doubt that we would work together

"The thing which is playing a part in this is the rumour that there is going to be a purge or that certain sections of the party are

going to disappear.
"Nothing could be further from the truth. People forget that when I had total freedom to choose Stanley and Michael Shersby as my parliamentary private

precisely because I wanted to balance my own perceptions." He said he commanded support



Kitchen cabinet: helping Douglas Hurd plot his course to No 10 are, from left, Tristan Garel-Jones, Tim Eggar, Ann Widdetonibe and Sir Giles Shaw, who are pictured at Mr Eggar's home planning the fine detail of their next moves in Mr Hard's election campaign

MAJOR CAMPAIGN

son of Thatcher'

By OUR POLITICAL STAFF

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bilis. That element of inflation is

cruelly difficult for people to deal

Poll tex: Mr Major said that the

poll tax and the problems that it had caused were still very much a

matter of concern to the cabinet,

even if they did not appear to be so

publicly. "It is immensely difficult to determine what is the right way

to deal with the problems," he

said. Changes were in the pipeline

which would not come into effect

until next year and should make a

difference to many people's bills.

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but Michael Heseltine

Europe."

Europe: Mr Major said: "I think

JOHN Major accepted in a series of interviews that his views were closely aligned to those of Mrs Thatcher. However, he added: "I am not running as Son of Margaret Thatcher'. I am running as myself, with my own priorities

and my own programme."

He said that his policies as prime minister would be aimed at improving opportunities for everyone and building on the successes of the Thatcher years. However, he also wanted to raise the status of teachers and to find ways to lessen the impact of the poll tax. Mr Major said that the recent education reforms had put a good

structure in place, and his concern now was to see that the teaching sion returned to the status that it had enjoyed 30 years ago. Economy: Mr Major said: "I think that very probably I have the greatest dislike - innate, instinctive dislike - for inflation of any of the candidates. I feel that passionately, not just for the broad reasons that are often advanced

but because inflation actually hits the people least able to protect themselves with the greatest harshness. It is no fun at the end of the week if prices have gone up



Backing John Major: Michael Howard and John Gammer

HURD CAMPAIGN

AS PRIME minister, Douglas Hurd would continue to promote Margaret Thatcher's vision of expanding individual choice and responsibility.

He wanted to see more

privatisation, more home-ownership and parents having more choice in how their children were educated, he said. He also proposed major reforms in pariament and government, including MPs working hours and

On the poll text Mr Hurd said that the central principle of the poll tax that everybody should pay something was correct. He would like to find a way of expanding the ability-to-pay principle, providing it was "workable". He did not think the poll tax would be hated once it was understood that threequarters of local government finance came from central government and the uniform business rate. There were improvements in the pipeline, but it was now necessary to go back to the "cupboard of ideas" to see what changes could be made. His review would look at every option short of abandoning the central principle. "When it started, it was

the snags that cropped up," he Unity/Working with the other ontestants: Mr Hurd said that, if he became prime minister, he would have an early meeting with Michael Heseltine about his future. In turn he would be prepared to serve in Cabinet under Mr Heseltine. But he also said it would be harder to re-unite the party under Mr Heseltine. "But I'm clear we can't afford to go into the next election with any sense of hostility from such a strong and important member of the party."

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Europe: Mr Hurd said he didnot believe there was a lot of difference between himself and

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John Major on Europe. But he would not necessarily accept Mrs Thatcher's assertion that Britain had ceded enough powers to Europe. He supported John Ma-jor's "bard een" plan for the EC currency unit to run parallel with the other 12 currencies and did not foresee other member states backing a more direct route.

Economy: He said: "It must be right to point taxes down, to say that what Conservatives want is to keep more of their own money. We must not lose sight of that objective. The pace at which you reduce direct taxation will depend upon other demands on you." He dismissed Mr Heseltine's belief in a more government intervention in industry and "civil servants in Whitehall picking winners."

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Third ballot on the cards

By SHEILA GUNN

MARGARET Thatcher looks likely to remain prime ministr until Thursday as a third ballot in the leadership contest now appears to be on the cards for the first time in the party's history.

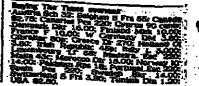
The 372 eligible MPs will vote in the second ballot between I lam and 6pm tomorrow, with the result announced at about 6.30 pm. To win, one of the three contestants must poll a simple majority of all those entitled to

vote, at least 187 votes.

With no outright winner, the names of John Major, Douglas Hurd and Michael Heaching would go forward for the third, decisive bellet on Thursday. decisive ballot on Thursday. Then MPs would use the single transferable voting system of proportional representation, stating their first and second preferences on their ballot cards.

If no candidate has an overall majority, the one with the lowest number of first-preference votes is eliminated. The second preferences on voting slips backing him are redistributed among the

two remaining candidates. If, for example, John Major scores 150 first-preferences votes, Douglas Hurd 122 and Michael Heseltine 100, the second preference of the MPs voting for Mr. Heseltine might divide 70 to Mr. Hurd and 30 to Mr Major. Victory would go to Douglas Hard, with 192 against John Major's 180.



Challengers set out views on Christianity do it well." Mr Major thought it and nor should you seek to do

By BILL FROST

THE contenders for the Tory leadership yesterday spoke of their Christian faith yesterday.

Speaking on BBC Radio 4's, Sunday programme, John Major said his belief incorporated intrinsic instincts and values. "If you lose faith in your own belief that you are living by those instincts and values that you think are important then you should stop doing what you are doing for you will have no pleasure in it and I doubt you will

perfectly fair for the Church of England to involve itself in the political arena. "But I regard it as very unwise

for the church to do it from the church's own point of view. I think people look to politicians for legislation and the church for a dispassionate sense of values." On the invasion of Kuwait, Mr Major said that he would listen to what the church had to say. "The

bishops have a powerful role in

the United Kingdom and you

cannot gag the Church of England

Douglas Hurd said he was in favour of the continuing establishment of the Church of England. "I think it is part of the fabric of national life and I think Christianity and of the Muslim religion don't really regard the establishment of the Church of England as an impediment."

Mr Hurd also saw no objection to the church entering the political arena, "as long as they [the bishops] realise that they will

receive criticism as well as dishing it out. As long as they don't feel that they are entitled by their cioth as authors of these reports to protection from controversy, that is fine."

Michael Heseltine said he saw even people of different parts of no conflict between Conservative economic philosophy and Christianity. "You have to make wealth and it has been proved, indeed the world is coming to realise, that the compensive enterprise system is meanparably the best way to generate

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THE TIMES MONDAY MODERADED SCHOOL

Major is emerging as grassroots choice in the marginal seats

CONSTITUENCY parties in marginal scats, recling at the loss of their idol Margaret Thatcher, spent the weekend ensuring their views on the leadership battle were ringing loud and clear in the ears of their MPs.

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With support growing for John Major, and Michael Heseltine being denounced for what is seen as his betrayal, local parties spent the weekend in a frenzy of meetings and telephone calls Some party activists have threatened to resign if Mr Heseltine is successful and have given strong warnings to MPs who threaten to follow their own line.

Feelings are particularly strong in the marginal seats where sup-port had been firmly behind Margaret Thatcher. Michael Fallon, junior education minister, has been given a clear message by his party in Darlington to reconsider his support for Douglas Hurd. At a ng of the executive council 17 declared for John Major with the other 16 split equally between the other two candidates. Bill Smith, chairman, said: "He

and background were high among the essential qualifications for

political preferment in the Tory

party. Old money, good connec-tions and a benevolently despotic attitude towards one's social in-

feriors characterised the grandee-

The radical change in the party's identity that began with Edward Heath and was reinforced

by Mrs Thatcher's ascendancy has

altered all that, probably forever. Today's contenders for the leader-

Nevertheless, John Major is particularly well-qualified to cap-

ture the working class Tory vote,

so important to the rise of Mrs

Thatcher. There is no whiff of

privilege, his vowel sounds are

listinctly south London and he

has never been photographed on a

The contrast between the back-

ounds of Mr Major and Douglas

Hurd could not be sharper. While

the former was brought up in a two-room flat in Brixton, the

latter was at Eton. Mr Major's

father's jobs included that of a

high-wire artist. Mr Hurd, who

comes from a line of Tory MPs,

won a scholarship to Trinity

College Cambridge. Mr Major left

school at 16 to start work first as a

clerk, then as a labourer. Asked about his schooldays Mr Major said last year: "They were less

than happy. I wasn't a good pupil

Gaining a first in history at

Cambridge, Mr Hurd followed a well-trodden path to the Foreign

Office, coming top in the dip-

lomatic service exams. He served

in Peking, the United Nations,

London and Rome before the lure

of a political career became too

great and a post at the Conservative research department fell

At about the same time, but

across the class divide, Mr Major applied for a job as a London Transport bus conductor and was

rejected. One story has it that his

maths was too poor, the other that he was, at 6ft, too tall. Elected to Parliament in 1974

after serving six years as political secretary to Edward Heath, Mr Hurd found the old order was

rapidly changing. Nonetheless, in spite of his close links with the old

orthodoxy, he was made minister of state at the Foreign Office after Mrs Thatcher's election victory in

1979. In that same year, Mr Major was elected to Parliament. He had

cut his teeth in the toughest of

political schools, as a councillor in

the solidly Labour London bor-

are aware of the "street credibil-

ity" gap. Yesterday, they were letting it be known that they would

be attempting to convince Tory

MPs that their man might not be such a toff. Mr Hurd, they point

out, won a scholarship to Eton.

Mr Hurd's campaign mana

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Street credibility

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By Lin Jenkins and Sheila Gunn

knows the figures and has some deep thinking to do. Around here Mr Major is the favourite, perhaps because he is more grassroots and has come up the hard way, even though he has less experience."

In Elmet where Spencer Batiste voted for Mr. Heseltine in the first round, the mood is clearly against the man seen as the catalyst in Mrs Thatcher's demise. Peter Sparling, the local party's chairman, said the predominant feeling was antitime. "They blame him for the fact that she has gone, and are not pleased with Mr Batiste for voting for him. The feedback we are getting is in favour of Mr Major and that will be made clear.

People in the north feel he has more appeal than Douglas Hurd." In York where Conal Gregory has a majority of 147, the smallest Conservative majority in the country, the party does not know how he voted in the first round. But a phone-in at the constituency headquarters on Saturday re-vealed 42 in favour of Mr Major, 13 for Mr Hurd and eight for Mr Heseltine. John Hardwick, the

His father, Lord Hurd, a tenant

farmer, had to write agricultural

reports for The Times to supple-

Heseltine, adroitly combines the trappings of grandee with im-

peccable credentials as self-made

man. He turned an inheritance of

£1,000 into a £60 million fortune

through property and publishing.

try estate are old-style Tory. The

social conscience and the belief in

the obligations of privilege come

from that tradition too. But Mr

Heseltine has something else, a

fearsomely effective common

Mr Heseltine's Welsh roots are

relatively humble in Conservative

terms. Yet, he has managed to

draw support from the squire-

archy and the working class Tory

The polls are on his side too, with

The patrician looks and coun-

The third candidate, Michael

ment his income.

go to another vote anyway." At Keighley a meeting of 70 party activists on Saturday came out unanimously in favour of the chancellor. "It is just as well since Gary Waller, our MP, and myself had already decided this is whom we would prefer," Keith Jepson, the constituency chairman, said.

"People are blaming Mr Heseltine

for the loss of Mrs Thatcher and

one or two have said they will no longer vote for us if he wins.

Personally, I like Douglas Hurd,

but he is rather seen as a square

peg in a round hole."
Peter Morrison, Mrs Thatcher's

parliamentary private secretary, has not told his Chester party

whom he supports for fear it will

hint at Mrs Thatcher's choice. But

Jim Cooper, the chairman, said

aware of the overwelming support

for Mr Major and Mr Heseltine's poor standing in third place. In Warrington South, whose

member Chris Buller is in Bangla-desh and unlikely to know the views of his constituents before

instructing his proxy, feeling to-wards Mr Heseltine is more generous. "He has a lot of support

because people realised they could not win with Mrs Thatcher as

leader, and someone had to mount

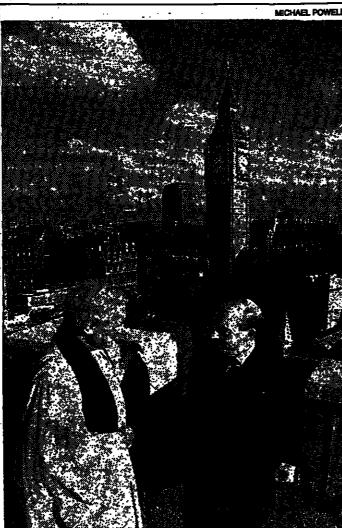
the challenge. Mr Major is also holding up well, but it is bound to

Jeannette Thomspon, Tory agent for Berwick-upon-Tweed, said a "leadership stakes" by the local party was won by Mr Major with 56 votes. Mr Heseltine had three Mr Hurd none. "The anti-Heseltine phone calls are coming in thick and fast. Party workers are threatening to resign and over-whelmingly support John Major. Mr Hurd is never mentioned."

Marion Harrison, chairman of Hampstead and Highgate Conservatives, said that behind the feeling of sorrow and disgust at the treatment of Mrs Thatcher was a heartfelt desire to unite the party and the feeling that Mr Major had the best chance to do that, Chuni Chavda, Tory chief whip on Brent council, said: "My personal view is that I would prefer John Major because he is young, attractive and is a man I believe can unite the

Roger Dix, deputy leader of the Conservative group on Haringey council, said: "I feel John Major is of the right generation and of the right views to lead the party forward and that he would make a good prime minister." Steve Fitzsimmonds, leader of the Tory most suggesting that there is a better chance of general election victory under his leadership.

group on Liverpool city council, said: "We are backing John Major as we feel he has right style."



Bernard Weatherill, who as Speaker has presided over comentous parliamentary events in recent days, on the tower of St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday with Canon Donald Gray to hear the bells ring for his 70th birthday

Agony of Thatcher's last hours

One of Margaret Thatcher's closest advisers spoke candidly yesterday about the last hours that preceded her decision to resign. Philip Webster reports

A POIGNANT account of the final hours before Margaret Thatcher's decision to resign was given yesterday by the man who was by her side for most of that

As Mrs Thatcher spent her last Sunday at Chequers saying good-bye to fricads and staff, John Wakeham disclosed that cabinet ministers had tears in their eyes when they told her that she was unlikely to win the second ballot against Michael Heseltine.

He confirmed that it had been

their conclusion that only another cabinet minister could defeat Mr Heseltine. Her colleagues assume that this was probably the clinching argument for Mrs

On Wednesday evening, the energy secretary, perhaps Mrs Thatcher's closest confidant in the cabinet, moved between her room where cabinet ministers were waiting individually to be called in to see her. He would talk to the ministers outside and then be called in by Mrs Thatcher to

Mr Wakeham had told ministers: "For God's sake. This is an important moment in history. You must give her your consid-

Yesterday, interviewed on The World This Weekend on BBC Radio 4, he described the scene: "I would not characterise the evening as calm. It was an emotional occasion for her. She sat there, she listened, she dissed, she tested the evidence that colleagues brought to her -some of her closest colleagues, some with tears in their eves As ministers spoke with Mr Wakeham, they were blunt about her prospects. Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary, told him: "She has not got a chance." Mr Wakeham emphasised yesterday, that they had all said that they would support her if she decided to press on. A proportion of twoto-one, however, said that they did not think she would win.



Comrades in arms: Denis and Margaret Thatcher leaving the church of St Peter and St Paul, Ellesborough, Buckinghamshire.

Even some who said that they would leave no stone unturned to have her re-elected said that they helieved Mrs Thatcher would

Mr Wakeham's account confirmed the impression of many

MPs and ministers that the "men in grey suits" - the senior figures who visited Mrs Thatcher on Wednesday lunchtime - may have fluffed their lines. He said be difficult but that she still had

member of the cabinet. As events were to show, that was not a view held by many in the cabinet after consulting their backbench

Mrs Thatcher is understood to feel no sense of betrayal at the hands of those cabinet ministers who told her that she would lose, and accepts that they gave her an honest assessment of her chances. It was also authoritatively stated that there were no resignation threats to Mrs Thatcher or the energy secretary. Mr Wakeham, who earlier that day had taken on the mantle of campaign manager for the second round, said: "It was very sad. We all sensed that the era was coming to an end. There was not one particular moment when I felt the balance had switched from a feeling that we could have won the fight to the fact that we were not going to We felt very sad, but very relieved that we had set about it on a proper professional basis." According to her closest advis-

ers. Mrs Thatcher had more or less decided by 8.30 pm on Wednesday to stand down. She returned to Downing Street to work on her speech for the censure debate and to speak to her husband Denis.

The previous night, Mr Thatcher had spoken to ministers in angry terms about the leadership election system, which he felt had got the party into such a mess. Now his thoughts were only for his wife. "Darling, I don't want you to be humiliated," he

In deference to close friends and supporters who called at Downing Street that evening asking her to remain, Mrs Thatcher delayed her final decision for a few more hours. But she had decided that there really was no alternative.

That had been the unanimou view at a secret meeting held at the bome of Tristan Garel-Jones, a Foreign Office minister, on Tuesday after the vote. Suggestions that the meeting was staged to support Douglas Hurd are

Among the five cabinet ministers there were two - Norman Lamont and Tony Newton - who have declared for John Major. Among other ministers there was Richard Ryder, who is also helping to run the Major campaign. Many ministers believe that Mrs Thatcher would have been spared the agony of those last few hours had she been given a clearer message at hunchtime.

Heseltine tops opinion polls

By ROBIN OAKLEY POLITICAL EDITOR

MICHAEL Heseltine continues to offer the best prospect of an immediate turnaround in the government's popularity according to the opinion polls, a factor which is likely to weigh with Conservative MPs when they choose their party leader.

Six different polls say that Mr Heseltine's election would result in the Conservatives gaining an immediate lead over Labour of between 5 and 13 percentage points. Five polls show Mr Major also a winner for the Conservatives with leads varying from 2.5 per cent to 15 per cent under his leadership. In two polls Mr Major shows more pulling power than Mr Heseltine, and in another they are equal. One poll, however, says that Labour would lead by 5 per cent if the chancellor were Poli Paper Heseltine Major Hurd

NMR loS ICM S Corr chosen. The polls are less encouraging for Douglas Hurd. Three of the polls say the Tories would regain the lead under him, but only by 2 or 3 per cent. The other three say that Labour would remain in the lead by a small

Mr Heseltine has clearly benefited from his four-year absence from the cabinet, being untainted by the policies which have made the government unpopular. He scores better than the other candidates with the floating voters and supporters of other parties who need to be attracted back to

over the other candidates, how ever, has shrunk considerably since last week and Tory MPs will have to decide if greater public exposure for Mr Major and Mr Hurd would increase their appeal to the electorate, especially since all three promise poll tax changes.

Three of the Sunday newspaper

polls asked respondents who would make the best prime minister of the three candidates. Mr Heseltine came top in all three. The bad news for Labour is that two polls showed that whoever becomes the Conservative leader, the Tories have regained the lead in voting intentions. Gallup in The Sunday Telegraph measured the Tory lead at 1.5 per cent, ICM in the Sunday Correspondent put it at 6 per cent, and measured a 13point swing to the Conservatives among women voters since Mrs Thatcher's downfall.

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The effect of the three candidates on the position of the Conservative Party is described in the table below,

Scottish Tories predict gains

By KERRY GILL

SCOTTISH Conservatives predicted yesterday that they could double their ten parliamentary seats in Scotland at the next general election if the latest opinion polls are anywhere near correct. The big resurgence of support for the Tories north of the Border has shown just how much per-sonal distike of Mrs Thatcher was a factor in the party's poor show-ing in recent years. Opinion polls

gains in the past few days. The Sunday Times Mori poll

indicated a six-point rise to 25 per cent, and the Scotland on Sunday poll showed that support for the Tories had risen to 37 per cent. In both cases, the Scottish National party was pushed into third place. Arthur Bell, chairman of the Scottish Tory Reform Group, said the polis showed that moderate general election were close."

published yesterday show the Conservatism could win back Tories to have made considerable votes and that Scotland's future lay within the United Kingdom with a strong Conservative government. He believed that the Tory party could count on gaining at least ten Scottish seats, taking it

back to its pre-1987 position. Allan Stewart, Tory MP for Eastwood, who is to vote for John Major as leader, said: "Scotland could be the key battleground if a

Howe says 'assassin' accusations are perverse Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday re-

jected accusations that he was Mrs Thatcher's assassin (Philip Webster writes). The former deputy prime minister, whose resignation sparked the turnoil that ended in the prime minister's decision to resign, said that the accusations were a "completely perverse insight" into what was taking place. He said: "Who conceivably would want to assassinate or appear to assassinate someone who has achieved so much, with whom one has worked so closely. But one has to ask oneself, as I did, are we still going in the best way, in the right direction, in the right fashion in pursuit of the right objectives? At the end of that 1 concluded that I had to resign, as I

Sir Geoffrey, interviewed on BBC Radio 4's The World This Weekend, said that he was not engaged in any kind of planning, plotting or forecasting. "I had resigned after a long period of thought, a very difficult thing to do after years in government."

Sir Geoffrey said that no one could have foreseen the scale of the changes following his resigna-tion speech. "I don't think anyone could say I was in some way responsible for creating the whole

must have had similar feelings for the changes to take place." He said be did consider standing himself but did not think he was likely to get enough support at this stage to win.

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Confidence vote

Joy Atkin, the Conservative candidate who was beaten into third place in the Bradford North byelection earlier this month, has been re-affirmed as the party's prospective candidate for the general election. In spite of criticism of the Tory effort at the by-election, which was won by Labour, the local party chairman said Miss Atkin had been an excellent candidate

Pole position

Punters yesterday placed £13,000 on Michael Heseltine to win the leadership after his endorsement by two Sunday newspapers, Ladbrokes said. John Major was still the favourite, however, as odds eased from 4-6 last night to 4-5. Mr Heseltine's odds have shortened from 6-4 at the close of betting on Saturday to evens. Douglas Hurd's odds went further adrift, to 10-1 from 6-1.

XV men and true Some small consolation for Mar-

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garet Thatcher came in the shape of the Finchley rugby union side on Saturday, when they won 10-7 at Henley-on-Thames, Michael Heseltine's constituency.

A tarnished crystal ball when it comes to backing the winners Conservatism will have to be obliged to retire to academe in own wrong policies ... Mr Heath atmosphere [in Blackpool] is

By ALAN HAMILTON

TELL it not in Gath, but the august leader columns of The Times would hardly win The Sporting Life tipsters' trophy for consistently backing winners in postwar contests for leadership of

the Conservative party.

We swam with the tide in agreeing that Edward Heath should be toppled in February 1975, for we remembered writing this newspaper by candlelight

during his three-day week. "The formation of a policy to deal with inflation matters most, we thundered. "In this essential respect Mr Heath is actually the least suitable of the three can-didates on the first ballot; he alone remains committed to his

has not freed himself from his mistakes and does not seem capable of doing so."

We were prescient enough to encourage his opponents in the first bellot. "Mrs Thatcher and Mr Fraser (Hugh Fraser MP, who collected only 11 votes) see what the problem is and are moving in the right direction in looking for a solution."

So far, so clairvoyant. But on the second ballot, we backed entirely the wrong horse. "The unity of the Conservative party depends on the receptiveness of the leadership. This more than anything else was what went wrong in the past ten years, and there is no candidate with remotely Mr Whitelaw's qualifica-

tions for putting it right." We thought terribly well of Willie. "In business terms, Mrs Thatcher and Mr Heath are managing directors; Mr Whitelaw's gifts are those of a

When one of those managing directors won the second ballot outright, a little of our prescience returned. "It is likely that the Tory party will take her to its heart, and that she will be invincible at least in party con-

Back in the 1963, when Harold Macmillan succumbed to illness and that year's party conference was consumed by finding - or rather fixing - his successor, we at least had the wits to complain about the shady methods then employed in the finding. "The unhealthy. With all the hobnobbing in hotel rooms, the gossip and rumour, the conference is resembling an American nomination convention."

dismissing his rivals Maudling and Hailsham more or less as a pair of talentless arrivistes. "Mr Butler has suffered from his own brilliance. Had he lived 3,000 years ago he would surely have been conscripted for the Oracle of Delphi. He is not a vote-charmer. Nonetheless he has more experience and more solid achievment than any of his rivals."

We were, of course, for Butler,

Truth to tell, we fancied Heath. but were obliged to admit gradg-ingly that he was too young. "Sooner or later the reins of placed in the hands of a new generation. There is much to be said for that being done now." The eventual emergence of Sir

Alec Douglas-Home was greeted in these columns unhappily, and with sour reference to the inapproriateness for democratic office of a man whose family had held a title since Flodden. "It seems prodigal of the Conservative party at this juncture in its affairs to pass over the experience, toughness, record of depart-mental success and sheer political acumen that Mr Butler has to offer."

Butler's enemies within the party, we observed moodily, had blocked his candidature for the second time, but poor Rab was

spite of this paper's support. We used to tend to support the government of the day, but our welcome to Sir Alec damned him with eloquent faintness.

"Lord Home could surprise them all by proving that he possesses these qualities of potential advortness and toughness and that he understands as well as anyone the dynamics of modern society; but that he is so equipped is not written plainly on his political record. To that extent his

selection is a gamble."
So it was, for within the year Harold Wilson was in Downing Street. We were, perhaps, not so wrong in the long view. The Times will declare its choice in this week's contest tomorrow.

Labour 'to reform training of teachers'

By JOHN O'LEARY HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR yesterday promised to reform teacher-training if it came to government. A four-point programme would be implemented to try to raise standards and cut drop-out rates.

Derek Fatchett, a Labour education spokesman, outlined the plans at a conference of teachertrainers in West Bromwich. He said that improvements were needed to raise the status and morale of teachers and to ensure that new entrants to the profession were confident and well-prepared.

Labour says that at least £100 million is being wasted in training students who do not go on to teach. Mr Fatchett said that 40 per cent of those who begin training either fail to complete the course or subsequently take up non-teaching jobs. Labour aimed to prepare teachers for the demands of the classroom by providing trainees with more practical classroom experience and supervision.

The basis of Labour's plan would be the introduction of a national core curriculum for teacher-training courses. This would specify required levels of competence in education theory, classroom practice and subject

specialisation. Schools would be specially designated for teacher-training for a set period. At present, Mr Fatchett said, trainees were often sent to schools with the largest number of vacancies and highest staff turnover. These were likely to be the schools where the rest of the teaching staff were under the greatest stress and had the least time to support new teachers.

Within schools, teacher tutors would be designated. One school in five is breaking the law by not having a sex education policy, according to a

survey published today. Independent schools are the most common offenders, 43 per cent failing to comply with requirements that have been in force for three years. The survey, carried out by academics at Christ Church College, Canterbury, for Avert, the Aids education and research trust, involved 338 teachers in 180

schools in southeast England.

Most said that they gave informa-

tion about Aids and the HTV virus

but were reluctant to give instruc-

tion on safe sex.

Ministers to be told they set green cause back by years

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE long dispute over the dis-memberment of the Nature Conservancy Council (NCC) will reach its climax on Wednesday when Sir William Wilkinson, the outgoing chairman, will tell the government that its action has set back by years the cause of nature conservation in Britain.

Introducing the council's last annual report, which will be bordered in black and feature a setting sun on its cover, Sir William will say that the new arrangement of separate agencies for England, Scotland and Wales is ill-prepared, underfunded and

He will do so against a background of great concern among senior NCC staff about the difficulties now being experienced in setting up the new bodies."The whole thing is a ghastly sham-bles," one senior official said

The new Scottish and Welsh bodies, due to start operating on April 1, both have fewer than half of their required staff. The Scottish body, due to be reorganised again in another year when it will merge with the Countryside Com-mission for Scotland, has no designated headquarters for 1992.

The Welsh body has no chief executive and is attracting considcrable criticism in the principality for appointing a non-Welsh speaker as chairman. Staff of the English agency do not know if it will be merged with the Country-side Commission.

The joint committee of all three agencies, supposedly the organ to take a broad United Kingdom view of nature conservation, still has no chief executive or secretariat and is thought likely to be weak. The general scientific work for which the NCC has received acclaim, such as that on the effects of pesticides on birds of prey, now has to be triplicated, but great difficulty is being experienced in finding qualified scientists prepared to work for the new bodies.

John Theaker, chairman of the NCC trade union side, said yesterday: "It is pretty close to chaos. Education, pages 16,17 | I have yet to be convinced that all

tion." A recent ballot of NCC staff, he said, showed a majority against the break-up of 17-1. On Wednes-day Sir William will call for the cstablishment of a British environmental protection agency as a way of maintaining the drive for conservation, which he fears has been greatly weakened by the changes.
"They have not forwarded the cause; they have set it back by

several years," he said yesterday.

The dismemberment of the NCC has been consistently and bitterly criticised by conservation organisations and environmental pressure groups since it was announced by Nicholas Ridley as one of his last acts as environment secretary in July 1989.

The idea originated in the Scottish Office with Malcolm Rifkind, the Scottish secretary, and Lord Sanderson of Bowden, now chairman of the Scottish Tories but at the time the Scottish Office minister responsible for forestry, they sold it to Mr Ridley, who was himself increasingly hostile to the NCC.

It has been widely seen as an act of simple revenge by the Scottish landed lobby for the NCC's determined opposition to some Scottish development projects, in particular the afforestation of the Flow Country in Caithness and

Mr Ridley's successor, Chris Patten, inherited the scheme ten days after it was announced. He is known to have opposed it but was unable to change it in substance as it had gone through the cabinet.

By CHRISTOPHER WARMAN

PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

HOUSE prices in Britain will rise

by 7 percentage points in 1991 and

by more than 11 points in 1992,

followed by slower growth in

1993, statistics from the merchant

and investment banking group

That is the conclusion from

Charterhouse suggest.



Red alert: rescue workers at the home of Tony and Margaret Darlington in St Helens, Merseyside, yesterday, after a fire engine on an emergency call left the road, drove into a neighbour's Ford Sierra and crashed into the front of the house. Two firemen went to hospital with shock and minor injuries

Royal Navy submarine to test trawler net bleeper warning

By NICK NUTTALL

TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT A BLEEPER system to warm of trawlers' fishing nets is to undergo Royal Navy trials with a nuclear submarine in seven weeks, it was

disclosed yesterday.

The devices, which are attached to nets and emit a pulsed, lowfrequency signal tuned to a submarine's sonar, could prevent the kind of accidents which led to the loss of the MS Antares and her crew of four last Thursday.

Trials this summer in the Firth of Clyde indicate that a submarine traveiling at 30 knots could be warned of fishing nets more than two miles away. A spokesman for

Rise in house prices predicted

next general election, while earn-

ing growth averages 9.25 percent-

age points in 1991 and 7.75 points

in 1992. The Charterhouse fore-

casts for the housing market until

1995 come from James Morrell,

who has more than 30 years of

According to the report from

James Morrell Associates, the

forecasting experience.

forecasts that UK base rates will first-time buyer market began to

Seametrix of Aberdeen, the company developing the system, said that low-cost units could be on the market in as little as six months'



and with the continuing rise in earnings and lowering of interest

rates, the upturn in the housing

market is expected to continue

through 1991, particularly from

around Easter. Earnings are the

main long-term factor determin-

ing house prices, since the major-

ity of houses are bought on mort-

gages, and earnings dictate what buyers can borrow, it states.

have capsized in 60 fathoms of water off the Isle of Arran after ber nets were snagged by the sub-marine HMS Trenchant. The Royal Navy has said it will try to raise the 55 foot trawler as soon as

Yesterday Patrick Stewart, sec-retary of the Clyde Fishermen's Association, said that although he welcomed any developments in safety which could protect his members' lives, be believed the submarine should have detected the presence of the Antares and the four other trawlers well in advance and taken avoiding

"The Antares was emitting not only engine noise, but her echosounder would have been on and there would have been a monitor on the nets. A bleeper would have added nothing to the eacophony of noise. At that time of night in the Firth of Clyde a submarine would have no doubt that the vessel was towing fishing gear," Mr Stewart

However, Don McGregor, nanaging director of Seametrix, which makes monitoring equipment for nets, said the problem was that submarines could not detect the whereabouts of nets.

Police fears grow over missing brothers

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Fears were growing last night for the safety of two young brothers missing from their home since Friday evening. A police heli-copter was brought in to help the search for Neil Keane, aged nine and his brother Ian. aged 12, of

Leegomery, Shropshire. Police say there have been no reported sightings despite wide-spread media appeals. The boys took no extra clothing, money or food with them and there are leats that they could be suffering from

West Mercia police said: "We are puzzled why we have not had a single sighting of them from

Chapel moves east A chapel in Trealsw, Mid Glamorgan, has been dismantled and will be shipped to Japan for use as a golf clubbouse. The 111-year-old building was sold after the con-gregation fell to just 30 people and the chapel developed dry rot.

Workmen have dismantled the 3,000 square foot Seion Chapel by hand and numbered each im-

Sick pay warning

Three million low-paid workers face increased poverty if they are ill because of planned changes to statutory sick pay, the Low Pay Unit claims today. Workers who earn £125 to £185 a week could lose £9 a week under the statutory sick pay bill, which has its secon reading today, it said.

Terry discharged

Sir Peter Terry, aged 64, former governor of Gibraltar, who suffered serious injuries in an IRA attack two months ago, has been discharged from hospital. It is understood that he will have to undergo further plastic surgery.

Fires at hotel

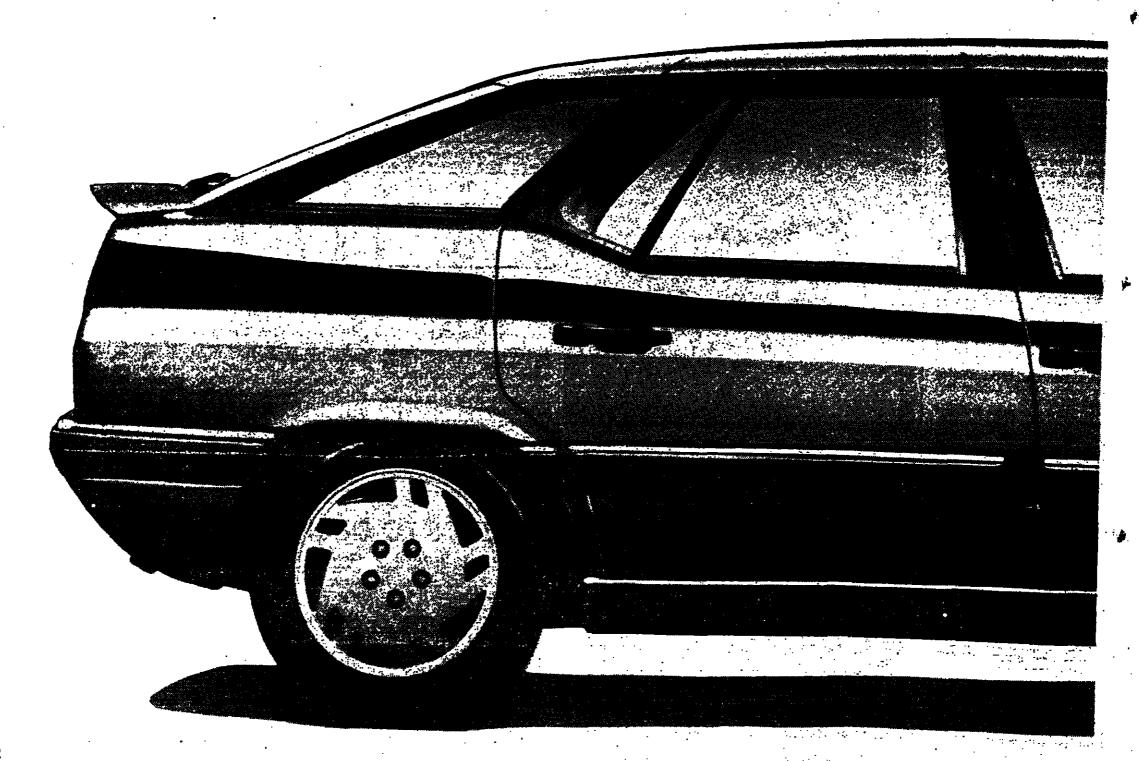
Seven hundred people had to be evacuated from the Royal Palace hotel in Piccadilly, London, on Saturday night after two fires broke out within minutes of each other. No one was burt. Police are treating the fires as suspicious.

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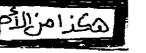
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Bar moves to end ban on TV cameras in courts

By Frances Gibe, legal affairs correspondent

THE Bar wants to bring television opposed to the idea. However, drafting a bill which would end the ban on television cameras and pave the way for pilot projects on televising trials.

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In what barristers call an "open justice" package, the bill would also move towards the the first research into how juries reach their verdicts.

The lead is being taken in Scotland on the issue of televising trials. The most senior Scottish judge, Lord Hope, president of the Court of Session, is considering the matter, though in England and Wales, the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, is believed to be

Poll tax hearings 'unjust'

By Douglas Broom LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

POLL tax defaulters are being denied the right to a fair hearing in magistrates courts overloaded with thousands of cases, the National Council for Civil Lib-

erties said yesterday. The organisation, also known as Liberty, said that poll tax cases were being held in closed courts with up to 50 people being dealt: with at once.

Defendants were frequently denied the right to bring a friend into court to help to present their case and councils were issuing letters; warning people that it was point-less to offer a defence to proceedings for liability orders.

Liberty is backing a High Court, action which opens today, in which Michael Barrow and his wife Irene from Leicester are challenging the city's magistrates' refusal to allow a friend to help. them in court.

 Malcolm Rifkind, the Scottish secretary, will be told today that: Scottish local authorities are still owed over £140 million in poli tax from last year. Some have already begun wide-ranging spending cuts. world.

cameras into courts. Barristers are jury research is believed to be supported by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, who in 1982, as Lord Advocate for Scotland, opposed the statutory restriction on such research.

Roger Henderson, QC, chair-man of the Bar's public affairs committee, which is proposing the measures, said the bill's aim would be "to permit the public as a whole to have a greater under-standing and knowledge of legal proceedings". On jury research, he said the question of whether juries should be retained for complex frand cases was still a live one.

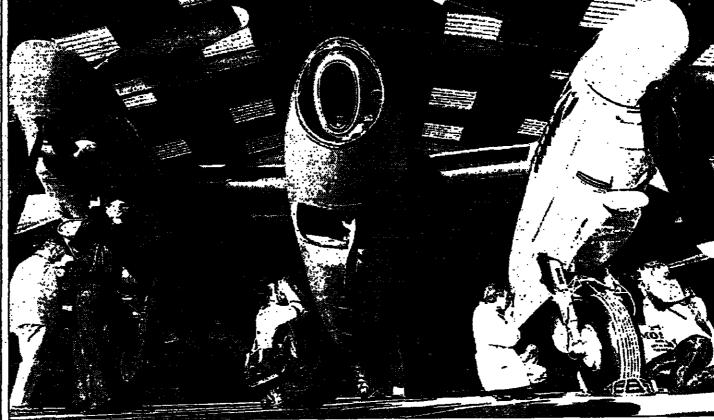
"Yet at the moment the only way in which one can form a judgment is by guesswork. Why should we not have evidence, in both cases, rather than speculation, on which to base a proper

A bill, which the committee hopes may be taken up by an MP, would seek to remove first the statutory ban on cameras in courts in the Criminal Justice Act of 1925, and the ban on jury research in Section 8 of the Contempt of Court Act of 1981.

Another barrister and member of the committee, Anthony Speaight, said: "The idea would be to allow jurors to be questioned for research purposes, but under strict conditions so particular cases were not identifiable. Provided it was properly carried out, it could be of considerable value."

The committee is also considering whether there should be further "open justice" measures on such issues as restrictions on press reporting, the imposition of a legal requirement on courts to make lists of cases available in advance to the press, the holding of bail applications in open court and of preliminary applications in the High Court Queen's Bench division in open court.

● Live television links to allow people living abroad to give evidence in British courts come into effect today. People with evidence in murder, manslaughter and some serious fraud trials will now be able to do so in live linkups from distant corners of the



Creating a buzz enthusiasts record details of a newly restured Mosquito fighter-bomber. After ten years' work, the plane went on show yesterday at its own museum in London Colney, Hertfordshire, marking the 50th anniversary of the "wooden wonder's" first flight

Arts Council's existentialist quandary

By SIMON TAIT ARTS CORRESPONDENT

WHEN the Arts Council meets on Wednesday to discuss the distri-bution of its biggest-ever budget, members will also be asking whether they have a future as the guardians of subsidised art.

Some of the council's 17 members already believe that the government's plan to hand funding responsibility for 92 of the council's 173 clients to ten regional arts boards could leave it without a proper function, other than as a monitor for the boards. Peter Palumbo will chair the meeting, but

the spirit of the arts minister, David Mellor, will preside. Yesterday, a member of the

government-chosen council said: There is a growing feeling that the point of the Arts Council is becoming less and less obvious."

Mr Mellor has got the council a

budget rise of 11 per cent for 1991-92, making £194 million. He has also built in an enhancement fund no strengthen leading arts com-panies throughout the country", worth £22.5 million over three years, which is a device partly for helping companies such as the Royal Opera House and the Royal Shakespeare Company out of def-

icit. They, with the South Bank Board, the English National Opera, and the National Theatre, are the five arts "flagships". Three account for more than a third of the £17 million deficit accumu-lated by Arts Council clients, because, they say, of subsidy shortfalls. The flagships will head

the quene for the new fund. The caveat to the fund is that Mr Mellor will see the books before money is distributed, and this is seen as further evidence of the death of the arm's-length principle keeping allocation of subsidy at one remove from Whitehall. A council member said: "The ques-

Arts Council is necessary any more, whether the flagships shouldn't be funded directly by the Office of Arts and Libraries." • Lord Harewood, chairman of the English National Opera, has joined the campaign for a national lottery. He is to become a director of the new National Lottery Promotions Company with Lord Birkett, Eddie Kulukundis, the impresario, and the conductor

Denis Vaughan. The lottery

would provide a fund for the arts,

sport and the environment.

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AGENDA

The week ahead

Monday CBI monthly trends enquiry. Christian groups launch peace in Gulf group. BBC launches its Christmas radio programme.
Princess Margaret presents
£30,000 Contemporary View prize
at the Royal College of Art.

Tucsday MPs vote in second Conservive leadership ballot. The prime minister faces one of her last question times in Commons. Duchess of York visits St James's and Killingbeck hospitals, Leeds. Final meeting of the Press Council. Wednesday

House of Commons trade and industry committee holds hearing on closure of Ravenscraig steel plant. Michael Heseltine due to speak at the American Chamber of Commerce lunch at Grosvenor House in London. Girls' School Association annual conference, Stratford-upon-Avon. Thursday

Conservative party leadership third ballot to be held if required. Voters go to polls in the Paisley North and South by-elections (results due at midnight). National launch of Cancer and Leukaemia In Childhood Trust at National Theatre, London.

Friday National Union of Mineworkers charged by union certification officer over Russian money affair. Service of Hope at Westminster Abbey to mark World Aids Day. Prison Officers' Union meets to decide on reopening of

Strangeways.

Saturday Conservative Students' Con-ference begins. World Aids Day. British and French workers meet in Folkestone after new Channel tunnel breakthrough. Celebrities at Help the Aged charity auction

Sunday European film awards ceremony in Glasgow.

in Covent Garden.

Sealed move leads to draw in 13th world chess game

By RAYMOND KEENE

CHESS CORRESPONDENT THE 13th game of the World Chess Championship was agreed drawn without further play yesterday morning. Karpov's scaled move at the end of the session was widely expected to be 42 Kxd3, after which the drawn outcome was inevitable. Overnight analysis convinced both camps that it was not worth playing on.

The score is now six-and-a-half points to each player. The winner is the first man to score 121/2 points out of a maximum number of 24 games, although Kasparov, the

champion, has the right to retain his title if the score is eventually tied at 12-12. The match is for a world record prize purse of \$3 million, five eighths to the winner and three-eighths to the loser.

The championship resumed its second half in Lyons, France, on Saturday night. Karpov, the challenger, took the advantage of the white pieces in the second Grunfeld defence of this match.

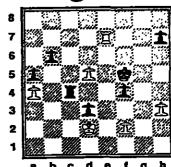
After 16 moves, white had taken 91 minutes of the allotted 150 to each player to complete the first 40 moves, while Kasparov had con--sumed a mere 46. Throughout the

game, Kasparov always had at least half an hour in hand on the clock over his opponent. Such an advantage, however, is not what

ultimately counts in chess.

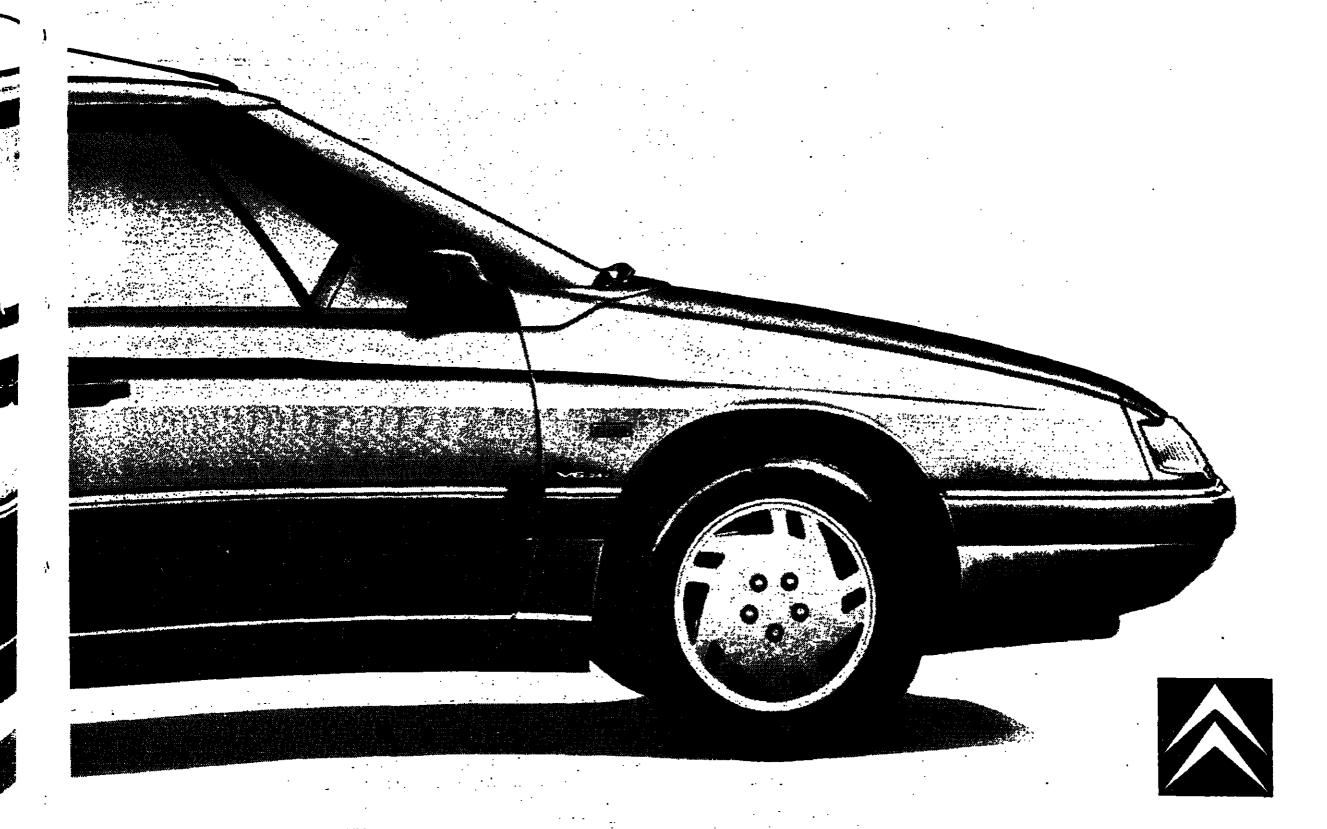
To score the full point, it is necessary to contruct a winning position at some stage and this outcome resolutely refused to transpire. An endgame developed in which Kasparov seemed to be pressing for a win but was unable to make real progress. The game was adjourned after 41 moves in a rook and pawn endgame where Kasparov had an extra pawn. White Karpov, black Kasparov

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Positions at the end of the 13th game of the world championship

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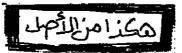


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MPs visit Syria as Britain prepares to resume relations

By Andrew McEwen, DIPLOMATICEDITOR

BRITAIN and Syria were hostages held in Beirut Wash-preparing yesterday to renew ington and Riyadh are thought bannad Hussein Fadlallah, appropriate to have expressed concern that pressure from the United States and Saudi Arabia to settle their differences.

Three MPs flew to Damas cus, where David Gore-Booth, under-secretary for the Middle East at the Foreign Office, was already holding high-level talks. The moves co-ordinated with President Bush's talks with President Assad in Geneva on Saturday.

Most sources believe that Britain is about to take a decision in principle, but it is not clear whether the government will wait until the leadership contest is over before

gency rather than Syria's role were restored. We kalling in obtaining the release of said that he and Mr Adley had

and wounded 24 others yes-

terday morning when he sprayed several vehicles with

automatic fire on the Israeli-

Egyptian border, 210 miles

east of Cairo, Israeli and

Egyptian officials said. The militant Islamic Fibad org-anisation claimed

The gunman entered Israel from Egypt 12 miles north of

the Israeli port of Eilat, the

Israeli army said. He waited

by the side of the road before

shooting at four military ve-

hicles as they passed and then

at a bus carrying civilian employees to their jobs at.

military installations. The

assailant, allegedly using a Kalashnikov assault rifle, shot

three army officers and the

Witnesses claimed that after

he had shot at the military

vehicles, the man put on one

of his victims' uniforms and

lay in the road pretending to be injured. When the bus,

driver got out to investigate, he met a volley of bullets. The bus's security grand and sev-

eral passengers shot at the

attacker as he can towards the

Fgyptian police arrested a policeman near the border

crossing of Taba in the Egyp-

tian Sinai peninsula, adiacent

to Eilat. He had been assigned

to the area near the attack.

Israeli authorities informed

the Egyptian embassy in Tel

Aviv that the assailant was injured and had returned to

Egyptian territory, but it was unknown whether the man

taken into custody was

Ahmed Esmat Abdel-

Meguid, the Egyptian foreign minister, described the in-

cident as "very regrettable". Moshe Arens, the Israeli de-

fence minister, said the attack was "a most serious incident".

and asked Cairo to do what-

ever it could to prevent at-

A similar attack took place

on February 4 when assailants

shot and threw grenades at an

Israeli tourist bus on the

Cairo-Ismailia road. Nine of the 31 people on board were killed. The Jihad also claimed

responsibility for this attack, while unconfirmed police re-

ports suspected Palestinian

terrorists. Since then, security

measures have been stepped

up to protect tourist buses

tacks in the future.

wounded.

Four Israelis die

in gun ambush

A UNIFORMED gunman travelling in Egypt. Since shot and killed four people Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on

hostility between London and Iranian Hezbollah movement, Damascus could affect the co- who hinted that renewing ordination of multinational forces in Sandi Arabia.

The MPs - Robert Adley, (C, Christchurch), Tim Rathbone (C, Lewes) and Sir be released.
David Steel (Liberal Demo-Sir David crats, Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale) - said there was no direct link with the hostage question, but a warmer atmosphere could improve the

Mr Adley, chairman of the British-Syria parliamentary group, said that Tehran was better placed than Damascus confirming it.

If the moves succeed, it will be because of the Gulf emergency rather than Syria's role to influence groups holding the hostages, but the groups might be better disposed if ties were restored. Mr Rathbone

August 2, security at all ports

of entry has been increased

and more restrictions have

been placed on non-Egyptian

Arabs entering the country.

The most recent terrorist at-

tack, when the Speaker of the

Egyptian parliament was

assassinated last month by

four gunmen on motorcycles,

led to a spate of arrests of

Palestinians, Iraqis and Mus-lim fundamentalists. Police

suspect Muslim militants with

foreign assistance killed the

In southern Lebanon, where Israel maintains a buffer zone

to protect its northern border

from infiltration, a woman

guerrilla with explosives

strapped to her body managed

to get close to an Israeli patrol yesterday. She set off the

bomb, killing berself and

wounding two Israeli soldiers,

Earlier, an Israeli patrol

boat opened fire on a dinghy off the Lebanese coast and announced later that five

guerrillas, apparently heading for Israel, had been killed.

est in a series of cross-border

assaults that have occurred

police opened fire on Jeru-salem's Temple Mount, kill-

The incidents were the lat-

the Israeli army said.

links would help.

Sheikh Fadlallah has recently made public appeals for hostages of all nationalities to

Sir David said that he had the impression that Margaret Thatcher had held back a renewal of links, but Douglas Hurd had begue to restore the supremacy of the Foreign Office over foreign policy.

Mrs Thatcher's objection to

renewing links has been, until now, that Damascus has not dropped its support for international terrorist groups. Bri-tain broke ties in 1986 after Nezar Hindawi was sentenced to 45 years in prison for trying to plant a bomb in an El Al airliner at Heathrow. Syrian intelligence officials were said to have been involved.

"For a long time there has been a difference of emphasis between the Foreign Office and those advising the prime minister on foreign affairs. There is good reason to believe that, in the light of the Gulf situation, those advisers have changed their priorities," Mr Adley said. Sir David said he did not

expect the leadership contest to affect the decision on relations, because the candidates were in broad agree-

A decision to renew links would present Britain rather than Syria with a problem of saving face. The government would be asked why it was now ready to accept Syria's assurances, having rejected them before. One source said. however, that the government was "reconciled" to this.

President Assad assured President Bush on Saturday that he was trying to win freedom for hostages in Leba-non. Six Americans, two West Germans and an Italian are missing, in addition to three Britons, Terry Waite, John McCarthy and Jack Mann. Several hostages released in the past have been handed over to the Syrian authorities. Syria's 40,000 troops in Lebanon have played the main role in moves to end 15 years of civil war. The Lebanese Forces Christian militia. the last and strongest of the private armies, began with-drawing on Saturday when a convoy of 20 trucks loaded

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headed for the mountains.



GULF NOTEBOOK by Christopher Walker

No shade of 'Elvis' about Kate

ust as the 1982 Falklands war introduced "yomp" (long, forced march) into the vernacular, so has the Gulf confrontation started to produce its own peculiar collection of

Anglo-American slang. The GIs in the desert now frequently refer to anything that has had its day as "Elvis", in the sense of "Saddam Hussein will soon be Elvis". They have also revived an old second world war favourite, "duke", which was why one young marine in a machinegun bunker told President Bush, referring to Mrs Thatcher's decision to resign: "I thought she'd duke (tough) it out".

Upset by the rigours of Islamic law, disgruntled American soldiers have taken to referring to the Saudis and Kuwaitis as "ragheads". Although crude, the term has historical roots. A relative of Sir Percy Fox, one of the most eminent British residents in the Gulf, insisted on referring to the sheikhs with whom he was dealing as "romantic old dears with dusters on their heads".

The stylish successor to the second world war Willis jeep now being driven by the Americans here is known after its initials as a "Humvee".

British squaddies refer to anything considered good as "job", as in "I saw a job film last week", while anything

associated with the appalling dis-comfort of life in the desert is described as "rufty-tufty", leading to remarks such as: "I've four days' ruftytufty before I get back to base."

Oldiers serving in Operation
Desert Shield have been amazed to discover that followers of Islam in Saudi Arabia have their own



"agony uncle", one Adil Salahi, who contributes a weekly Friday page to Arab News, answering the most inti-

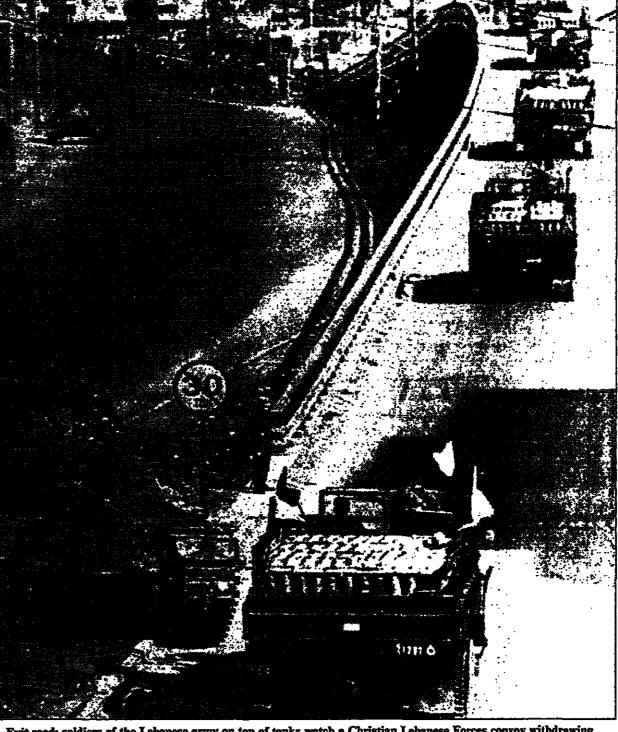
mate personal questions. Yesterday he was asked about the Koran's views on men going out with women, a taboo in Saudi society highlighted by the casual fashion in which American male and female troops mix when off duty.

"It is forbidden in Islam for a man to be alone with a woman who is not his wife or a very close relative in a room where he cannot be seen," Mr Amer was informed. "This is not due to any lack of trust in either the man or the woman. It is only meant to strengthen them against any temptation."

he BBC may have lost the battle of Baghdad to ITN, which secured the first British television interview with President Saddam, but in Saudi Arabia the recent arrival of Kate Adie has given the corporation an apparently unassailable advantage.

Miss Adie has been enthusiastically adopted as the "forces' sweetheart" and has been virtually mobbed when-ever she visits British forces. Even Air Vice-Marshal Bill Wratten, the new deputy British commander in the Gulf, broke through a cordon of her fellow journalists just to shake her hand.

To the chagrin of other television correspondents, it appears that her allure has already spread across the Atlantic, Miss Adie was the only foreign reporter permitted to ac-company President Bush during the whole of Thursday's Thanksgiving helicopter tour through Saudi Arabia.



Exit road: soldiers of the Lebanese army on top of tanks watch a Christian Lebanese Forces convoy withdrawing yesterday from the heart of battered Beirut, under an agreement to make the capital free of rival militias

Lebanon promised peace era by Hrawi

From REUTER IN BEIRUT

PRESIDENT Hrawi yesterday heralded a new era of peace in Lebanon as a 65vehicle convoy packed with men, weapons and shells continued the withdrawal of Christian militias from Beirut. There will no longer be east or west Beirnt. We now have greater Beirut as a symbol for

future," he told a delegation of Lebanese young people. "Lebanon will be a country of freedom. Everyone will be allowed to argue and oppose without resorting to guns ... Lebanon is not for one faction, it is for all citizens," he added. The reluctant departure from Christian east Beirut of the Lebanese Forces, the

country's strongest private army, comes after the withdrawal of other militias from the Muslim west of the city. The withdrawals from the capital are a key provision of an Arab-brokered peace pact giving Muslims more say in the Christian-dominated political system. Witnesses said scores of

hardline Lebanese Forces gunmen heading for strongholds outside the city left their positions in the Ashrafiyeh district in a convoy of lorries loaded with munitions. Posters of Samir Geagea, their leader, were plastered on the vehicles, and the militiamen waved white-and-red Lebanese Forces flags adorned with the green cedar of Lebanon, as they drove past civilians lining the streets.

United front in Saudi desert

From Christopher Walker in Saudi Arabia

from the main parties in Benn, the Labour MP, and and soldiers alike that a Britain stood side by side in a said: "As far as Labour is change of leadership does not barren desert location here concerned, the overwhelming yesterday to show the world body of opinion within the that there was across-the- party and among our supportboard support for the government's tough Gulf policy.

Martin O'Neill, the shadow

defence spokesman, stated categorically that Labour with the Seventh Armoured would support any eventual Brigade added: "We have use of force sanctioned by the consistently backed the re-United Nations. At a press quired UN action." conference staged under the barrels of three camouflaged Challenger tanks, he dis- Conservative members of the missed the weekend peace Commons defence com-

ers is to back the deployment of troops." Three opposition spokesmen who had earlier taken part in tank exercises Brigade added: "We have

Labour's forthright commitment was welcomed by in case of delays.

FOURTEEN peers and MPs which was addressed by Tony way to impress on journalists signal any weakening of Britain's resolve against Iraq. Michael Mates, the com-

mittee chairman and a leading figure in the Michael Hesel tine campaign, was adamant that all three candidates were in accord on the Gulf issue. The Tory MPs in Saudi Arabia are due back in Britain in time to vote tomorrow, but have already voted by proxy

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Iraq puts focus on low-tech defences

New York — Iraqi com manders are reportedly working to develop low-tech defences against the technological superiority that would be the chief American military advantage in a Gulf war (Renter reports).
This was a conclusion of a

broad review of the Iraqi military by American defence and intelligence analysts. The experts also determined that the passage of time is swiftly degrading Iraq's military capability and some advanced weapons, due to the loss of foreign experts and access to spare parts, according to The New York Times report.

Pentagon officials were not immediately available to comment on the report. The paper found that American officials felt lragi commanders realised the force facing them had high-technology weapons never encountered by Iraq on the battlefield.

Smoke signals

Cleveland, Ohio - Six Sioux Indians, including two medicine men, are flying to Bagh-dad to smoke a peace pipe and perform other rituals to try to avert war, James Fry, aged 41, head of the Dakota Elders Survival Fund said. The trip was prompted by visions of the earth's destruction, he added. (Reuter)

Kuwaiti resigns

Nicosia - Sheikh Jabah Mubarak al-Sabah, the information minister in Kuwait's exiled government, has resigned, the Kuwaiti News Agency reported. It gave no reason and said he had been succeeded by Badr Jassim al-Yaqoub, who also retains his post of minister for national assembly affairs. (Reuter)

Lawsuit threat

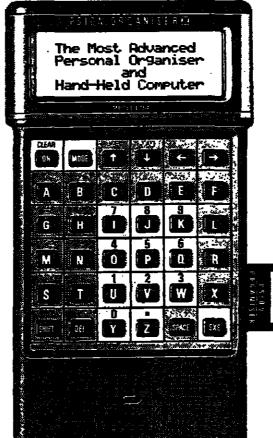
Baghdad - Iraq said yesterday it would file suits against the United States, Britain, Egypt and Turkey if any Iragis died because of shortages of food and medicine. Mohammad Mehdi Saleh, of the trade ministry, did not say if anyone had died because of shortages since the UN Security Council imposed a trade ban. (Reuter)

Force boosted

Dubai - Pakistan is planning to boost its commitment to the multinational force in Saudi Arabia by sending troops to the United Arab Emirates, the prime minister, Nawaz Sharif, said. Pakistan already has 5,000 soldiers in Hostage releases, page 24 | Saudi Arabia. (Reuter)

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Walesa in the lead but prize still eluding him

political process.

Even so, Mr Walesa's support was not as large as he once boasted. In an interview last year

he claimed that only 1 per cent of the nation was against him. Farlier this year he said he would win by 80 per cent. A month ago he said: "My victory is not in doubt, 1 am

only concerned about the margin

of that victory.' Yesterday, after he cast his ballot, he declared "I've just voted for the winner" but

Polish cities appeared to be the

main electoral battlefields yes-

terday. Although campaigning has been banned since Friday, youths scurred around Warsaw, Cracow

and Lodz on Saturday night

ripping down Mazowiecki posters

and pasting up "Walesa-Yes". In the countryside most voters

seemed to be favouring either Mr

Walesa or Mr Bartoszcze.
In the village of Minsk outside

Warsaw almost all of the voters

questioned favoured Mr Barto-

szcze. The Peasants' Party leader

stands no chance of winning, but

the intention is clearly to place

him in a good bargaining position for the second round. If there is a second round run-off between Mr Walesa and Mr Mazowiecki, most

- but not all - of the Bartoszcze

votes are expected to pass to Mr

Outside the polling stations in Warsaw, voters seemed lukewarm

in their support for the post-

communist candidate, Mr Cimo-

siewicz. One former politburo

member said: "It has got to be

Pensioners as well as workers look to Mr Walesa for some protection after 45 years of

cushioning under communism.

The Mazowiecki government has

introduced soup kitchens, set up a

dole system and indexed some

has cut some of the vital threads of

the welfare system. For them, a

President Mazowiecki is more of a

● CHICAGO: An estimated 15,000 out of 40,000 Poles eligible

to vote in Chicago, which has more Poles than any city except

Warsaw, were expected to cast absentee ballots. Some 400,000

are eligible to vote in the entire United States, and their votes

could be important if the race is

close between Mr Walesa and Mr

Mazowiecki. (AFP)

risk than a President Walesa.

refused to name names.

LECH Walesa yesterday attempted the giant leap from the bar-ricades of the Gdansk shipyards to the Belvedere palace, but the presidential prize still seemed to be cluding the Solidarity chief.

As Poles cast their vote in the

country's first free presidential elections, a reliable opinion survey showed that, although Mr Walesa remained the favourite, he stood little chance of winning in the first round. The survey was withheld from Polish voters lest it influence the balloting. But it showed plainly that the contest was not yet won.

Mr Walesa received 33 per cent results a feedived 33 per cent support, yet if he is to win outright he needs just over 50 per cent. Tadeusz Mazowiecki, the prime minister, has narrowed the gap and with 27 per cent is in second place. Stanisław Tyminski, a Polish-Canadian millionaire, has weathered criticism to hold on to a stable 18 per cent. Woodcient stable 18 per cent. Włodzimierz Cimosiewicz, the post-communist candidate, was creeping up the scale with 10 per cent, probably representing the real level of support for reform socialism in Poland, while the Peasants' party candidate, Roman Bartoszcze polled 9 per cent Lessel polled 9 per cent. Leszek Moczulski of the ultra-nationalist Confederation for an Independent Poland had a mere 3 per cent.
Pollsters warned yesterday that

Anti-Roh students drive back riot police

Secul - South Korean riot police fired tear gas and stormed on to Konkuk university campus here to break up a 5,000-strong rally against President Roh and American pressure for more farm imports (Reuter reports).
Witnesses said radical students

threw petrol bombs and stones to hold back more than 1,000 riot police and six black armoured vans in a clash lasting more than two hours. Demonstrators disarmed four riot policemen and held them at a campus building for hours until the police withdrew from the campus.

At least two policemen were taken to hospital for head injuries sustained while clashing with protesters wielding sticks, wit-nesses said. At least 70 protesters were arrested. After the police pulled out, the demonstrators resumed their rally demanding that President Roh resign for suppression of the democratic movement" and dissolve the Nat-

ional Assembly. Afterwards they set fire to the US flag and the flag of Mr Roh's party, shouting slogans calling on the government to oppose the Uruguay Round of the Gatt trade negotiations, which would require South Korea to open its restricted agricultural market.

Irish-Iranian pact

Nicosia — Gerry Collins, the Irish foreign minister, ended a three-day visit to Tehran by signing a coday visit to Tehran by signing a co-operation agreement with his Iranian counterpart, Ahi Akbar Velayati, the Iranian News Agency reported. The agency, which was monitored here, said the agree-ment signed by the two men at Tehran Airport calls for the convening of an Iranian-Irish joint commission on economic, scientific and cultural co-operation. (Reuter) operation. (Reuter)

Delon raises £9m

Paris - Alain Delon, the heartthrob film tough guy who domi-nated French cinema for more than three decades, sold 32 paint-ings from his collection at a Paris auction for £9.15 million. The most expensive painting, Picasso's The Yellow Belt, fetched £2.34 million, the Drouot auction house said. One of his personal favourites, Bust of Madeleine by Delacroix, was bought for £1.02 million by France's national museum. (Reuter)

Helicopter crash

Rome — At least two people were killed when a helicopter flying to an oil platform crashed in the Adriatic off the northeastern Italian city of Ravenna with 13 people on board, authorities said here. Two survivors and two bodies were reportedly pulled from the sea. There were 10 technicians and three crew on board the SA 330 Puma, leased by the Florentine air-taxi firm Elitos to the Italian oil company Agip. (AFP)

Green support

Papeete - At least 500 people have demonstrated in Tahiti in favour of Greenpeace, the antinuclear organisation, in response to a call from the Polynesia Liberation Front, police said. Organisers from the front, which wants independence from France and opposes nuclear testing, said 1,500 people demonstrated before the arrival of the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior IL (AFP)



Final filing: Tadeusz Mazowiecki campaiguing in Warsaw in the run-up to yesterday's presidential elections. A new survey says the Polish prime minister will get 27 per cent of the votes. Walesa, regarded as a workers' hero, is expected to win 33 per cent

Kohl's magic touch starts fading in east

not to fall prey to pessimism about the costs of German unity on

which the opposition Social

Democrats have fought their cam-paign. "You have been deprived of the fruits of your labour for 40 years," he said. "The upswing will

come if we work together and stick

He has covered former east

Germany from north to south in

in his party. The rhetoric based on

the horrors of the communist past

and promises for the future is growing threadbare. It will have

served its purpose if it holds its spell until the all-German election

next Sunday.

The SPD, which is following the

same trail, fails to inspire more

than a modicum of interest out-

side its heartland in Berlin and the

HELMUT Kohl, the German chancellor, must have heaved a sigh of relief after the weekend as he entered his final week of campaigning in former east Ger-many, braving the rain and smog of Chemnitz to attend a reception markedly more tepid than the rapture which accompanied his visit earlier this year to the city.

The March crowd of more than 100,000 had dwindled to 5,000.

They huddled in the concrete gloom of the main square dominated by neon lights vaunting the ments of "spare parts from Karl-Marx-Stadt" (the city's former name) to hear him promise that Saxony would soon become "as blooming an area as my home town of Ludwigshafen". "What is this?" asked one

middle-aged woman as a pam-phlet was pressed upon her. "Is it from the PDS (communists)? I am not touching it if it is. They should be strung up." "It is your unity chancellor who

should be strung up," retorted her neighbour. The two had to be separated by a policeman. The east German gratitude vote

for unification still ranks as the ace in the chancellor's pack, but the party has been worried that election fatigue may affect the turnout, the population of east Germany having voted three times this year already. "Just think of it as one vote for every decade you were not allowed a proper election under the co munists," Herr Kohl said. The dour industrial city whose

only claim to fame was that it housed the largest statue of Karl Marx in the country cheered up briefly earlier this year when it dropped the name imposed on it by the communist leadership. Other legacies are proving more difficult to dispense with. The main employer, a factory

making Trabant cars, has laid off 5,000 staff. Lots of smaller factories which delivered spare parts are threatened with closure. The local CDU candidate nervously sharing a platform with the chancellor begged him to support the factory's struggle to continuing exporting Trabants to the Soviet Union now that there is no longer a market in Germany for the car. "This is the place investors miss out on when they travel from

Berlin to Leipzig and Dresden," one city official said. These are also the voters Herr Kohl's Christian Democrats know

to be vulnerable to disappoint-ment as unity fails to provide prosperity at the expected pace. The shops are full of extravagant Christmas goods, but the shoppers root among the bargains. They were warned by Herr Kohl

Parisians fret over Tuileries facelift

not enough, President Mitterrand has engaged the controversial Chinese-American architect, L. M. Pei, as a consultant in the pro-posed transformation of the Tuileries Gardens, Elysée sources

said yesterday.

The Socialist president last week appointed the landscape gardeners Louis Benech and Pascal Scribier to give a facelift to the decaying park on the banks of the Seine. A third appointment was for Jacques Wirtz to finish restoring the adjoining Jardins du Carrousel facing the Louvre.

The Elysée said these three "now must establish their defin-itive projects in liaison with leoh Ming Pei, architect of the Grand Louvre, and receive the approval of the head of state". Work is expected to begin early next year and the government has pledged initial finance of 100 million francs (£10 million). Few Parisians would argue that

the renovation of the gardens is not long overdue. But the announcement that Mr Pei, the creator of the pyramid at the Louvre, is to play a key role in the future of the Tuileries is unlikely to reassure architectural purists. Last week Le Figaro said the

Tuileries, which are state prop-erty, had been "abandoned for decades". With an uncharacteristic lapse into franglais, the conservative daily lamented "le black-out total" imposed by the long-haired minister for culture, Jack Lang, on the government's plans for one of the few green spaces on the right bank.

The gardens were created in 1563 by Catherine de Medici. Their present arrangement dates back to the 17th century, when a



A UKRAINIAN MP arrested for for a campaign of civil unrest

allegedly attacking a policeman has announced that he will go on indefinite hunger strike in prison starting today. In two letters smuggled out of

Stepan Khamara, supreme soviet MP for the fiercely anti-communist region of Lvov, in western Ukraine, says that he is going on hunger strike because he was "set up" on the instructions of the republic's president, Leonid Kravchuk.

against the ruling Communist party to sweep it from power. In the first of his handwritten statements the MP writes: "This farce which is being played out and this set up case against me is to punish me as one of the main political opponents of the Communist party in the Ukraine."

AS IF building a glass pyramid in the courtyard of the Louvre were gardener at the Tuileries, Le Notre, created the central alley,

hollowed out the pools used to this day by boys sailing yachts and designed the formal flower-beds. Today wilting flowers and tiredlooking trees obscure the glorious past of the gardens. Intended for

use by a royal court of some 300 people, the gardens were pressed into public service by the Paris Commune. Each summer a bustling but unregal funfair beiches fumes into the trees. Last year tens of thousands of people trampled down much of the grass during rock concerts organised to mark the 200th anniversary of the storming of the Bastille.

Preliminary guidelines for the landscapers who competed for the contract to redesign the gardens were drawn up last year by Guy Nicot, the architect-in-chief of the Louvre and Elysée palaces. These envisage covering over the motor expressway that lies between the gardens and the Seine, and the creation of a footbridge over the river to give direct access to the

Cancer plea in lawyer's attempt to free Barbie

From John Phillips

THE disclosure yesterday that Klaus Barbie has cancer could force President Mitterrand to relax his government's new tough policy against elderly second world war collaborators, such as the Vichy police chief, René

Jacques Verges, the maverick left-wing lawyer who unsuccess-fully defended Barbie, the "Butcher of Lyons", during his 1987 trial for crimes against humanity, told *Le Journal du Dimanche* that Barbie, aged 76, has been undergoing chemotherapy at a Lyons hospital over the past three months for blood cancer. Maître Vergês, known to his collegues as Lyonout du his colleagues as l'avocat du diable, is launching a campaign for the release of the former Lyons Gestapo chief.

At first sight, the radical lawyer

would seem to have little chance of winning freedom for Barbie. The Socialist government recently took a strong stand against the unwritten policy of previous administrations to let old war criminals die in peace.

The justice ministry said last week that it would not appeal against a court decision ordering M Bosquet, the former head of the Vichy government's police in occupied France, to stand trial under the same procedure as that used against Barbie. M Bosquet, aged 81, will stand

trial for crimes against humanity, including the alleged deportation of at least 8,000 Jewish children under the age of 13. He is one of the first high-ranking Vichy of-ficials to be accused formally of war crimes since the immediate

postwar period.

Maître Vergès, undeterred, has asked Leon Schwartzenberg, France's leading cancer specialist, to provide treatment for Barbie. ronically, M Schwartzenberg's family perished in a nazi concentration camp during the second world war. It would be astonishing if M

Mitterrand were to risk alienating his former comrades-in-arms of the resistance by pardoning the man who captured and tortured to death the famous Maquis leader, Jean Moulin. Right-wing extremists such as Jean-Marie Le Pen would be sure to give voice if Barbie is released while M Bosquet receives a stiff prison

Kiev's Lukyanovskaya jail,

Mr Khamara also defiantly calls

The incident that sparked his arrest happened during November Revolution Day celebrations when a fight broke out between a plain-clothes police colonel and

Soviet famine more fiction than fact

s the Soviet Union starving? Since last week's summit of leaders of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, the cry has been that it virtually is. Germany is sending experts to assess the situation, and Germans are being urged to post food parcels. Official Soviet reports list the countries which have agreed or are in the process of agrecing to grant the Soviet Union favourable credits. The latest is Portugal The front pages of yesterday's

Tyminski: survived criticism to hold 18 per cent support

Soviet newspapers reported shortages of meat, milk, potatoes and many other goods. Even President Gorbachev has now admitted that the country needs outside help. At his press conference in Moscow on Friday he dropped his talk of "co-opera-tion on equal terms" to speak for the first time of the need for supplies of money and food.

To suggest, then, that reports of starvation may be exaggerated is to touch some sensitive nerves. More than half a century ago, as famine gripped the rich farming areas of the Ukraine, the Soviet authorities and Western fellow travellers made common cause to conceal the fact. Yet and no forecasts can be made for

the rest of the winter — there is no evidence of starvation. The evidence is rather of serious economic dislocation coupled with hoarding and black marketeering on a scale not seen since the second world war. There is widespread sickness and malnourishment, but no famine. After this year's relatively good harvest there is no reason

why the Soviet Union should starve, but shop shelves are bare. -MOSCOW-

COMMENTARY

MARY DEJEVSKY Prices at the peasant markets are soaring and queues are longer than many remember them.

Much Soviet food production this year has simply not been sold to the state for redistribution. It has been retained by local and republic authorities against possible shortages or price increases later in the season. As Moscow, Leningrad and other cities banned food sales to nonresidents, outlying areas broke their contracts to supply the cities with fresh food. Large amounts of food dis-

appears on to the black market while in transit or storage, and some say more is sold this way than through official outlets. In most big cities, too, bare shop shelves may conceal back doors piled high with deliveries sold on to favoured customers at blackmarket prices. Family freezers are crammed to bursting. Bal-conies are piled high with potatoes, and country dachas have been turned into storehouses. Private channels are visibly replacing state shops as supply routes. If anyone goes hungry it will be those with no private or work channels and no money to speak of

While there is as yet no starvation in the Soviet Union, there is widespread malnourishment. As the state proved incapable of supplying fruit. vegetables, meat and even vitamin pills at subsidised prices, so the level of public health has declined from an always poor base. A recent survey showed that 60 per cent of university students had serious health problems. Another 20 per cent could be classified unfit.

The Soviet population could do with an airlift of vitamins and protein, both to combat current

shortages and to offset a tra-ditionally poor diet, but they are not starving. So where have the forecasts of imminent famine come from?

One resulted from a straight mistranslation. Russian has only one word for hunger, starvation and famine golod. When in parliament on November 14 the Moscow regional deputy spoke of possible hunger in her region during the winter, she was widely translated as having predicted famine, rather than food shortages. The difference is great,

wo other reasons may be offered for the speed with which the West has accepted that the Soviet Union is facing starvation. First, the authorities have done nothing to deny them, though it is too cynical to suggest any deliberate ploy to attract assistance. Second, the West badly wants to help, and food aid seems a tangible contribution.

Food by itself, however, will be of little help. If any part of the Soviet population is at risk of starvation this winter, this will not be because there is no food, but because it is trapped in a corrupt and dying system.

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Penan warriors battle to preserve forest haven from loggers

PARAMILITARY troops of the Malaysian field police raised their M 16 rifles and fired into the air, discharging a hail of bullets into the jungle and sending birds screeching from the trees.

Then they lowered their weapons and levelled them at a line of tribesmen clad in loincloths, with hornbill feathers in their woven rattan head gear. The members of the hunter-gatherer Penan tribe stood alongside a barricade of logs blocking a muddy track. They carried 4ft-long blowpipes, but the 8in darts, tipped with poison, stayed in their quivers.

After this incident in late September, according to witsses, the protests ended. The tribal people, who have lived for generations in the forests of Sarawak, East Malaysia, on the huge tropical island of Borneo, were led away in handcuffs. The barricades were dismantled and bulldozers moved in to resume forest clearing.

After a period in detention the

Penans, like more than a hundred



Penan tribesman: barricades are still being erected

ear, were charged with obstructing logging companies that have obtained government licences to cut timber in the tribe's traditional hunting grounds.

Yesterday the Penans, some still clad in loincloths and carrying blowpipes and others in lets, were walking into the hot, dusty forest town of Marudi on the muddy Baram river to appear in court later this week.

But even though they had lost a battle, the war against the logging companies, many of them linked to senior government officials in Kuching, the Sarawak capital, 250 miles to the southwest, was continuing. South of bere at Lon Geng new barricades have gone up in the past few days.

At stake is an estimated 9.4 million hectares of the richest surviving forest in South-East Asia. Last year Maiaysia carned over £1 billion from timber, supplying two-thirds of the world's tropical hardwoods. Half of it came from Sarawak.

Kuya Akch, aged 51, a Penan village chief, said he thought he would be found not guilty of obstructing the loggers. "We will win in court, but the logging will continue," he said. "In the long run we lose our land.

"Already the rivers are pol-luted, and the fish are dying. Often we can't drink the water.

Sarawak tribesmen face formidable opposition from politicians and businessmen who see quick profits from timber, writes James Pringle in Marudi

The birds, monkeys, porcupines, and boars we hunt are disappearing. So are the trees that are our 'bank and our shops', that supply resin, bird nests and medicines. They even cut down the ipoh tree we need to tip our darts though they can't use that tree."

For the first time the tribal people do have a voice in parliament. In the national elections last month an independent candidate won the Marudi seat against the ruling party of Sarawak, which is a member of the national coalition led by Mahathir Mohamed, the prime minister of Malaysia.

He is Harrison Ngau, a Kayan tribesman aged 31, who founded a local branch of Friends of the Earth. Eartier he had been jailed and otherwise barassed by the authorities. Foreign diplomats in Knala Lumpur say his election shocked the government.

Yesterday Mr Ngan was

preparing to travel to the Malaysian capital for the new parliamentary session. He said he would speak out against the logging devastating Sarawak. Last February the issue led to an outburst from the Prince of Wales on the plight of the Penans who, he said, were being "harassed and even imprisoned for defending their tribal land".

Mr Ngau was not bothered by the claims of his defeated electoral opponent that he would receive few government funds to aid his constituency. "I am not an enemy of anyone," said Mr Ngau. "I am ready to support the government if it works for the

the odds seem stacked against him in a state where logging licences are given as political natronage and are divided among a mostly Malay chie in Kuching. Equally rich Chinese tycoons handle the tumber extraction.

Abdul Taib Mahmud, the chief minister of Sarawak, calls those opposing logging as traitors. His relations and political allies, it is alleged here, hold a third of Sarawak's timber concessions, with most of the logs being

exported to Japan. Politics and business mix in Borneo. James Wong, a multi-millionaire Chinese businessman, is state minister of the environment and tourism. though he is co-holder of some of the state's largest timber concessions. He does not see a conflict of interests between his business and political roles, saying: "I was in logging before I

went into politics."

Mr Wong, aged 69, denies that he had said he would like the jungle cut down to make more

benefit of our people here." But golf courses his hobbies are golf and fishing from his luxury yacht, and indeed it is doubtful if a politician of his experience would make such a gaffe.

In an interview he claimed much of the deforestation is caused by the tribal people using slash-and-burn farming methods. We have 23 other tribal groups; pushing the interests of just one group is unfair. We want the Penans to come out and be part of society." he said. "We can offer them a longer life on average and

a better one Despite Mr Wong's desire that they join the modernising mannsucam, the Penans who number about 9,000, of whom about 500 are still fully nomadic, would prefer to live in the old way. "We never harmed anyone," Kelasan Naan, a village chief. "Now the loggers are getting close to our village and we worry about the future." That worry is also shared by other tribes like the Iban, Kelabit, Kenyah, and Kayan, who make up about half the state's 1.7 million population.

Builders siphon off billions meant for quake-hit Campania

From RICHARD BASSETT IN ROME

BILLIONS of pounds of public funds which were intended to help reconstruction work in Campania, Italy, after an earthquake struck there 10 years ago, have been hijacked by speculators in order to finance other projects, it emerged yesterday.

pite more than 55,000 billion lire (£25 billion) of public money being directed to assist ian province, barely a few hundred thousand pounds has been spent as intended.

were hijacked by speculators squandered on projects which in order to finance projects unrelated to the earthquake, which destroyed villages and killed 3,000 people. Now blocks of concrete flats wait half-completed, scores of cranes stand abandoned and the area remains desolate.

In some villages where damage had been only slight, maverick local businessmen claimed billions of pounds of aid. aid, with which they demolished entire streets to replace if well intended, gave rise to rise developments or motor- iately. The list of houses

Many of the buildings destroyed were in need of only little repair. Several were 18thcentury and 17th-century concrete flats has yet to be satisfactorily explained.

In other villages, large funds were claimed for damage which had never occurred. In those villages which suffered most devastation and were was generally available only through the offices of a local Instead it seems the funds speculator. Invariably it was rarely had much hope of being finished but left their creators with a tidy sum.

Never in southern Italy's history had so much cash been injected into a single region. Never before has Italy, so often characterised by northsouth divide, proved itself so willing to help the impoverished south with material

The project, however, even these abuses almost immedways in an act of urban needing repair was first placed "systemisation" reminiscent at 100,000; within two years it by the Camorra.

of Ceausescu in Romania. had double this figure. Ten years later the local authorities house 200,000 families forced since the earthquake to live in prefabricated huts.

In Naples, where the earthmiake also caused some damage, funds from the central government have also disappeared. Initially, 20,000 houses were planned to be built to house homeless fambuilding in the southern Ital-most worthy of aid, the cash ilies after the earthquake, but ian province, barely a few never materialised. If it did, it in 1983 the Communist local government was ousted and replaced by the Christian Democrats, whose links with property speculators are widely criticised throughout Italy. According to the Neapolitan press, the programme was allowed to quietly

> Speculators moved in, with or without the help of the local mafia, the Camorra, to spend the money in other ways, and the new houses were forgotten for a few years. When in 1987 about this, 4,000 houses were hurriedly constructed but these, according to the influential Rome paper La Repubblica, are now occupied



Monkey business: hundreds of monkeys which inhabit a shrine in Lopburi, the ancient capital of Thailand's Lopburi province. 90 unless north of Bangkok, feast on a Chinese lunch hosted by a hotel owner who, true to local custom, was thanking the shrine's spirits for his business success

Trouble in paradise as jet seized

THE South Seas have seen been among the passengers raised prices unilaterally and affected by the airline - and stranded in paradise, and vesterday a midnight meeting on the runway being told: "Because it is the weekend, negotiations have

A rumour that the British ambassador to Peru may have

nothing like this for years - a has added to the weekend of without warning by 100 per jet airliner seized by protesting islanders, its passengers suspended."

drama on the normally placid The bald facts sound serious: a 707 jet on LanChile flight 033 from Santiago to Tahiti taken over by protesters on Friday during a for an island thousands of routine stopover here, and the miles from the mainland,

islanders saying the plane and where LanChile has a monopits 82 passengers are going oly, are also up by 100 per nowhere unless the airline and cent, hitting the import of scind a sudden doubling in The reality is more bizarre:

are staying at LanChile's expense in what passes here for huxury hotels, eating freshly caught fish at every meal and fighting to use one of the island's only two overseas telephone lines, while up to hour-a-day vigil in a tent city at the occupied airport and negotiate with Santiago by fac-

Women appear to run this Ruritanian-style rebellion.
Dozens of women, some carrying young children, others pregnant, form the honour guard around the aircraft, and in frenetic Spanish take a leading role in all debates of policy and practice, while simultaneously providing enormous communal bowls of food for those enjoying an almost endless round of air-port festivities, with music and dancing until the small hours.

The leader of the protesters is Patricia Rapu Briones, a short, dark woman in her early thirties who sports a dark leather jacket and chairs meetings from the top of the airline with scrupulous impartiality, urging everyone to "stay calm and consider the options". The argument with Lan-Chile flared last Thursday.

The company - the privatised former national airline now 25 per cent owned by Scandina-vian Airlines System (SAS) -

he was arrested in October last

year but, like many other

cent. Concessionary rates for islanders were dropped, so a one-way ticket from Easter

Island to Santiago went up from \$201 (£101) to \$410. Cargo costs, which are vital cent, hitting the import of building supplies.

The protesters' demands are simple: drop the prices rises

and guarantee access for

islanders to the airline in cases of emergency, instead of the ently offered on each flight.

Inevitably it goes deeper than that — as Easter Island is a dependant of Chile in all senses of the word, for its food exports, economy and tourist trade. Easter Island is typical of the South Pacific, with its poor communications and limited lifelines of planes and boats atop a fragile economy -and the islanders' case is today expected to win support from seizure spreads.

The protest has wide backing on the island itself. Teaoa, aged 40: "Everyone is everyone is angry. We all need it for family visits or for its food imports. We want a fair deal from LanChile and the plane will not move unless we get an answer.

The Easter Island governor, Cocoba Hey Paoa, and other officials were already in Santiago when the aircraft seizure no one here refers to the word "hijack" - took place.

on negotiations, the governor's team has taken up the islanders' demands and already LanChile seems to be

weakening.

An offer to suspend the price rises if the aircraft was freed has been rejected; while a second offer - to take four additional island representatives to Santiago for talks also got short shrift at the midnight tarmac meeting. The protesters insist that the govemment must guarantee any agreement made by LanChile, something the interior ministry has so far resolutely refused to do.

But as the protesters' leader warned the meeting yesterday: "In the Santiago press they are calling us extremists and terrorists, and there is talk of the army being sent in to restore order - we have much to

Despite the LanChile-fin-anced field day for hoteliers there is deep concern that this one incident could have substantial impact on the vital tourist trade. Another hun-dred or more would-be foreign travellers for the thriceweekly flight already queuing up.

Although such a confronta-

tion would undoubtedly have been severely dealt with by now under the tough former Pinochet regime, the new democracy under President Alwyn is taking a hands-off attitude, declaring that the matter is solely for the airline According to Anna Julia and the people of the island Teaos, aged 40: "Everyone is themselves."

Scores are rescued in Sydney blaze

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Sydney - Rescuers in boats and helicopters saved sight-seers and residents trapped by fires which yesterday engulfed wooded parkland around the city's inner harbour (Robert Cockburn writes).

Residents were evacuated Heights suburb as fires, the closest-ever to the city, threatened properties and cut off cliff walkers and some 150 sunbathers on beaches below.

Emergency vessels hosed down beaches as people swam to nearby boats. A helicopter crew filming the blaze plucked five people to safety. Ash and smoke blew over Sydney as strong winds fanned the fires. In the tinder-dry countryside, farmers lost crops and animals in extensive bush fires last

Clashes kill 300

Colombo - Nearly 300 people were killed in five days of fighting between government troops and Tamil rebels in Sri Lanka's northeast region, military sources said. President Premadasa, meanwhile. visited government-held areas in the Jaffna peninsula-

Ships intercepted Windhoek — Namibian au-

thorities fired shots and seized six Spanish vessels fishing illegally in the country's territorial waters, Gert Hanekom, the fisheries minister, said, He did not know of our lines. did not know of any casualties but said the vessels were now on their way to Walvis Bay with armed Namibian soldiers on board. (AFP)

Aids campaign Harare - President Mugabe launched a week of national

Aids awareness, warning that the disease threatens Zimbabwe's future. Harare's Parirenyatwa Hospital reported that blood donations in the first half of 1990 showed that over 15 per cent of urban adults tested were HIV positive. (Reuter)

Surrender offer

Begoti - The Medellin cosogou — The Medellin co-caine cartel leader, Pablo Escobar, is among up to 360 drug traffickers that have of-fered to surrender to the authorities if they are given special judicial treatment. according to Diego Montana Cuellar, a political leader

TV crew missing

Lima, - Four members of a French television crew were missing, feared drowned, at the weekend after rafts on which they were riding capsized in rapids in Peru's treacherous Apurimac river, police said. Five others swam



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Peking dissident faces trial

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demonstrations in spring last This year, eager to persuade year, the leading dissident Wang Juntao has been forthe West to lift sanctions, the Chinese authorities have remally charged with sedition leased several hundred people detained after June 4, 1989. and spreading counter-revolutionary propaganda, accusa-tions which carry heavy However, human rights or- are preparing for trials to be ganisations believe hundreds prison sentences. more remain in prison, whose Mr Wang, formerly editor names are not known to the of the magazine Economic Weekly, fled to southern

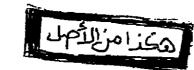
Under Chinese law, those charged should be tried China after the June 4 killings in Peking's Tiananmen shortly afterwards. Square when the authorities condemned him as a "black Ren Wanding has already been charged but also not hand" and a "chief criminal instigator". A colleague be-trayed him to the police and brought to trial. It is also

Another dissident essayist,

believed that some of the students have been sentenced to between seven and ten years in jail in secret trials. Apparently, splits within

While some leaders would like to make an example of the students and intellectuals involved, others fear this would Sources say the authorities

held in the near future. Lawyers are being schooled in what to say during the trials, and have been told that the defence for the dissidents should be purely a formality. Trafficking control: China acknowledging a growing drug problem, has appointed Wang Pang, the minister of public security, to head a new agency called the State Anti-Narcotic Committee, set up to combat narcotics trafficking, the official China Daily newspaper



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sudden plunge from power, particularly when crstwhile friends provide the fatal push, has long been a favourite strong emotions: jealousy of the great and sympathy when they fall. Novelists and dramatists have portrayed both the plight of the leader and the swirling emotions of the followers as they perpetrate a political *putsch*.

Shakespeare gave a classic account of the two types of conspir-ators who pull down their leader: the envious Cassius — "such men as he be never at heart's case whiles they behold a greater than themselves" — and the idealistic Brutus, who believes that Caesar's Almost every leader has had a Cassius, but a sitting prime minter can fall only when enough

unsheathe their daggers to save the country, the party or themselves. Shakespeare's images of pol-itical betrayal are embedded in the English mind. In 1830, the Duke of Wellington was forced to resign as prime minister when he was too outspoken in his opposition to the fad of the day, electoral reform. The final blow came when three

him it was time to go.
Sir Robert Walpole is usually seen as the first prime minister.
None of his successors has achieved either his longevity in office or the almost unanimous tirades of the literary celebrities of his time. The greatest of them, Samuel Johnson, provides the best semi-fictional account of a leader slowly being deserted by his friends. This was in 1742, when it was illegal to publish debates, and ne people were therefore startled to read eloquent speeches by the main participants. These splendid orations were in fact written by Johnson in his garret in

Horace Walpole, the most celebrated letter writer in the language, wryly observed how ms father's house overflowed with treacherous friends protesting their loyalty. Charles Hanbury Williams, a member of Walpole's government and a minor poet, saw the plots in lines that could be repeated by later victims: But how will Walpole justify

his fate? He trusted . . . till it was too late. ...Trusted to One he never could think true, And perished by a villain that

he knew. That particularly English combination, the politician-novelist. from Disraeli to Jeffrey Archer, has usually found it more delightful to portray the making of a prime minister than the unmaking. Disraeli did provide one superb account of a prime minister's destruction by his own George Bentinck, with whom he Richard Mullen is the author of led the Tory revolt against Sir

the Corn Laws. Years later, in his novel, Endymion, Disraeli used his experience as the leader of a political revolt and as a successful prime minister to give some good advice: "Statesmen in high places are not always so well acquainted with the changes and gradations of opinion in political parties... We hardly mark the growth of the tree

we see every day."

The opening shot in Peel's fall made a controversial re-appearance in George Meredith's Diana of the Crossways 40 years later. Diana is paid by the most im-portant editor in London for the first news that Peel has told the cabinet of his decision to abandon the Corn Laws. Informed readers immediately identified the society figure and author, Caroline Nor-ton, as the model for Diana, Later editions of the book carried the editions of the book carried the notice that "Diana of the Crossways is to be read as fiction."

Those involved in a political upset are apt to think that only the greatest of authors could depict their suffering. When Asquith was forced from Downing Street during the first world war one loyalist sighed: "It would take a combination of Meredith, Browning and Henry James to give you the story." Undoubtedly the events of the last week will feature not only in memoirs but in the fiction of

Indeed, one participant has already drawn a memorable portrait of an ambitious MP conspiring agamst a sitting prime minister. In Vote to Kill, Douglas Hurd has a man of "second-rate mind" who storms about the country making speeches and "using his gifts to deceive and destroy" his own leader. Future historians may be disappointed to learn that the novel was published in 1975.

Novelists who want to see how to handle the conflicting emotions of the ultimate political crisis can find no better guide than Anthony Trollope. In Phineas Finn, he depicts the misery of a junior minister whose conscience reluctantly compels him to bring down a prime minister who has been good to him.

In The Prime Minister, Trollope shows the dejection of a fallen leader driven to resignation after some of his party desert him. "The violent deposition of a Prime Minister", says Trollope, "is al-ways a memorable occasion." This defeat comes after Sir Timothy Beeswax explains in the Commons "how it came to pass that he found himself bound to leave the Ministry ... [and] to say some very heavy things against his late chief." However, a more forthright colleague culogises the defeated prime minister in words that have found many echoes this last week: "History will give you credit for patriotism, patience and courage. No man could have done

Anthony Trollope: A Victorian in Robert Peel's decision to repeal His World (Duckworth).

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MATTHEW PARRIS

The journalists' church of vultures flap and wheel. In this, St Bride's in Fleet Street should hold an additional harvest thanksgiving service this week, for media people to offer gratitude for the windfall of the Tory leadership crisis.

What a bonanza! "Potosi!" as Spaniards exclaim - referring to a Bolivian mountain composed entirely of silver. This yulctide there will be turkey galore for everyone remotely associated with the gathering and purveying of news, while deposits are already lodged for winter breaks in the Caribbean.

If a leadership crisis did not exist, it would now be necessary to invent one. Maybe we did. To each journalist's child a train-set this Christmas; while those of us without children now move our cats on to a diet of pure Whiskas with rabbit. Can we spin it out to a third

ballot, do you think? Three more days of views, opinion polls and comment? Three more days of rumour and gossip? "I've got some good stuff from the Major camp," I heard

one lobby correspondent greet another in a Westminster corridor last week, "discreetly rubbishing Hurd. I'm getting back to the Hurd camp for something to balance it discreetly rubbishing Major. Should make a nice little piece." In the predatory pack that we

media folk constitute, these, the lobby correspondents, are the big players: the lurchers, condors and Cape hunting dogs of the team. If some great political beast seems to be limping or breathing hard, these are the ones who first dart in for an exploratory peck, a lunge, snari or nip of the leg, while the rest of us hover and chatter at a safe

distance, watching, Should the beast then stumble, or should the rest of its herd not gather to protect it, the lesser dogs move in. Mongrels from the tabloids, jackals from the Sundays, pedigrees from the quality magazines - clipped, nervous and always beautifully combed - circle around, converging. From the air above. magpies from the diary col-

umns squeak and dive. The beast is down and bellowing. The larchers are in there, tearing flesh. Above, the leader, but not just yet.

the last stage of the kill, the beast's fellow-beasts have retreated entirely, trampling her with their own hooves as they gallop over the skyline in a cloud of dust.

And now ground and sky is thick with scavengers. Crows from the air, rats from the undergrowth, every kind of insect, even the small, defenceless ones, know it is safe to claim a morsel. Some of the front-line predators are greedy, turning round to snap angrily at lesser termentors trying to steal share of the action.

Others are bigger-hearted. One such, remembering my own Christmas, handed me a South African radio interview the other day. "Here," he said, giving me a Johannesburg tele phone number, "have this. Leadership crisis. You can reverse the charges." I made a quick check, before dialling, on the exchange rate for the rand against the pound sterling.

For I am part of the second wave, as much scavenger as predator. A sort of rook. Preening my glistening black plum-age, I am conveyed in taxis from radio station to television studio to radio station.... Microphone on? Red light. Cue? Green light. And we're away with our profound thoughts.

"Mrs Thatcher is in deep trouble." How deep? "Very deep." Terminal? "Possibly." Green light off £20 plus VAT. "Ping" goes the cash register. "Taxi!" Off to the TV studio.

Cameras rolling? "Mrs Thatcher is in deep trouble." Pine! £50 plus VAT ... Radio down-the line telephone interview? Maybe; what time? 7.30am? Do you pay? Ah, yes, well, I do have a phone by the bed. Give me a ring beforehand to wake me up, would you?

7.30. Ring, ring. "Hello? What sort of man is Mr Major? Quiet, classless, blah, blah ... Heseltine? Showy, presidential, blah, blah, vote-winner, blah ... Hurd? Safe pair of bands. assured, blah, blah, establishment candidate, blah ... Who do I think will win? Who knows? Ping! £15 plus VAT. Roll over and go back to sleep. Lord, send us a new Tory

Douglas Hurd, talking to Simon Jenkins, denies that he is a Tory grandee and asserts that his handling of crises in previous jobs best equips him for the leadership

Cool hands in the kitchen

Barsetshire. Give it to village Rites and autumn leaves, to damp Cotswold stone and muddy churches. to a novel by the fire and a slice of am sponge. Give it to honest England, and Douglas Hurd would win by a mile. The up-wardly mobile Majorettes in their suburban lounges may deride him as the Duke of Omnium. But he is no grandee. He is of Framley Parsonage, lightly rehabbed by Laura Ashley.

From his Oxfordshire redoubt last weekend, Mr Hurd was fight-ing from behind. Michael Heseltine had the rebels and the floating left. John Major had emerged as the Great Queen's youthful torchbearer into the next generation. But Mr Hurd offers the old-time religion, highly regarded in the Tory party before it was seized by faction, coup and counter-coup: qualities of party unity, common

sense and experience in office. Hold Mr Hurd upside down and shake him, squeeze him, good him, but you will not get from him a murmur of criticism of his rivals, and certainly not of Mr Major. He would be the despair of an Ameriwould be the despair of an American primary organiser. Of Michael Heseltine, he permits himself the reflection that, "There is a clear feeling of outrage among active supporters at the way the prime minister had to leave office. I can see why Michael, after his occur, letter had to any but I think it does letter, had to run but I think it does make it more difficult for him."

Mr Heseltine had been lucky. "He has been separate from gov-ernment during a period when government has become unpopular. He has been able to go about the country and be identified as an alternative prime minister. He has been free as air."

As for John Major, who now stands between Mr Hurd and the prize, a sledgehammer could not drive a wedge between them. "We have talked to each other in recent weeks just about every day, some-times several times. We like each other. Ministers running against each other can't intelligently start tearing up policy."

And yet the right wing has gone to Mr Major. How could so crafty a player of the great game as Mr Hurd allow this to happen? "It may be because he is Chancellor and therefore guardian of sound money, though I would not be any less careful of sound money. There may be a feeling that there is a difference in our views on Europe, though I don't think that is true. And there may be a touch of inverted snobbery."

Was there here perhaps, drifting in the Oxfordshire gloaming, the faintest wisp of edge? What of the exploitation among his rivals of the "E-word"? (No parent with pol-tical hopes for his son should ever Eton.) On this Mr Hurd fights a weary rearguard action. "We are surely closer to a classless society than this. The grandees have left politics and gone back to their country houses. The idea that the Tory party could possibly return to the days when everybody was related to the Duke of Devonshire is unreal. Yet some people talk as if, next to the European Commission, that was the greatest danger threatening our country.

"Yes, my father was an MP, and that brought politics into the house. Lloyd George patted me on the head and I gave a bouquet to Lady Baldwin in Devizes town hall. But, that someone from a middle-class background who managed to get a scholarship to Eton is guilty of grandeedom is completely phoney.

The searing, maturing experience in Mr Hurd's background is not school but Downing Street under Ted Heath, graphically re-lated in his memoir, An End to Promises. "At the end of that



Hurd the countryman relaxes with his family at the weekend. Downing Street seems a world away, but 'you see a beckoning finger, and you think all right, let's go where it beckons'

period, we were close to despair. We saw a prime minister of great energy and determination completely frustrated by a combina-tion of inflation and trade union power. There was a feeling that even with a big government majority and a forceful prime minister, you just couldn't run the

"Mrs Thatcher has told us that you can run the country. She benefited from the first experiment, from such things as the 1971 Industrial Relations Act. But she and Norman Tebbit learned to do it right." Those years in Mr Heath's office — "not betrayal of policy, just events going bang, bang bang and shaking the policy into a series of makeshifts" followed by the punishing portfolios of Northern Ireland, Home Office and Foreign Office, give Mr Hurd what he clearly regards as his prime qualification for the leadership, the experience of heat in the safe pair of hands.

eople are wrong to think that a prime minister's time is spent at summits or dealing with the crisis of the moment. There's a state visit, or the Queen to see, bishops to appoint or questions in the House, and none of that can be postponed. You have to learn. under great pressure to switch your mind from something that is dominating your life to something you've just got to do. I have learned how to do that.

"In all my jobs, the seven o'clock news could bring disaster. You came to recognise your private secretary threading his way towards you with a message You learn to brace yourself to bad news. A bombed police station or a prison riot."

At the end of any great political era, little sense is gained by picking over a politician's old policies. The successful statesman (including Mrs Thatcher) is a political chameleon. Mr Hurd was trained as a diplomat, and mainstream is the best description of his speeches and writings. There are a few signposts in the mist. He was an activist at the Northern Ireland Office, pacoing together the Anglo-Irish initiative; a determined Home Secretary, perhaps more liberal in penal policy than in such libertarian causes as official secrets or broadcasting. A more significant sign of the times is that, when

questioned, he protests liberalism •Thatcherism is not Tutankhamun's tomb, that you have to seal up and guard. It's an investment. Take what has been achieved and go on from there?

rather than toughness. He is quick to point out that "note of the leadership candidates is in favour of hanging".

And the poll tax? Was it not time to admit a ghastly mistake? The corpse is still too warm for straight answers on this; Mr Hurd took on the look of a parson asked why his jumble sale had un-accountably been referred to the fraud squad. "It looked appe-tising. Whether it could have been devised in a way that made it acceptable, I don't know. The principle still looks appetising. But the working out simply wasn't accepted as fair."

Is he completely opposed to a property tax of any sort? "I don't accept your premise - I don't yet accept your premise - that the cupboard of improvement is bare. Having got where we are, it is not possible in this parliament to

devise a new system. We cannot

tear it up . . . in this parliament." What of the issue that Mrs Thatcher has already allowed as the Great Mistake, the reduction of interest rates and the "Deutsch-mark inflation" of 1988-89? Does he too think this was an error? "Retrospectively it clearly was a mistake, yes. The counter measures have been extraordinarily slow to work." Ask him about the reason for the mistake and Mr Hurd falls back on the formula familiar to students of Britain's European policy this past year, that the prime minister herself accepted the Madrid conditions

for ERM entry.

Mr Hurd, in the eyes of the Thatcherites, femains vulnerable to the charge of being a creature of the Eurocrats, prisoner of a Foreign Office that did so little to sustain Mrs Thatcher in hours of need. Where does he stand on those twin peaks of European policy, sovereignty and subsiing to Brussels only what needs to be rendered unto Brussels?

"There will be shifts of sov-

ereignty but only in specific areas which I consider debatable. The Community should lead as external trade negotiator, though it is making a mess of it now. The prime minister's indignation on that was one of the occasions on which she was entirely justified. She was right both tactically and

"But there must be basic areas of national sovereignty. Peace and war, law and order, foreign policy: fiscal policy. You can cooperate. but these are not matters for Community competence. Our resistance was entirely justified in the case of the Social Charter. The others all sign up but with their fingers crossed. They sign because the practicalities are two or three years away and someone may hail them out. It must be right to say this is not sensible. We are not going along with it. We are going to have those Britain Isolated

sels: for the extension of Community competence, for the extension of qualified majority voting (under the Single European Act) or for the extension of legislative powers of the European par-nament. I do not believe in the European glacier, that there is something irresistible about Euro-

pean integration." No candidate can escape easily from the shadow of the past decade. As against Herself is how every move, every statement will be judged. Is Mr Hurd a consolidator, a stabiliser of the revolu-tion? Is the ark of the covenant safe in his hands, or will it soon be tossed by the wayside, as she believes Mr Heseltine intends?

The reply is diplomatic. "Thatcherism is not Tutankhamun's tomb, which you've got to scal up and guard. It has to fractify. It's an investment. Take what has been achieved and go on from there. things: privatisation, the exten-sion of individual responsibility, education. But the course is certainly set. I want to keep to it, not change it."

sk Mr Hurd about errors, mistakes, and be returns uncannily to those he ascribed to Mr Heath's government. Errors in controlling inflation and the critical importance of political communica-tion. "We have ceased to be adequately persuasive. The argument, for instance, for privatising water was strong. We did it, but ran into more opposition than we expected. There is a big danger in politics at the moment of too much professionalism, of too much attention to soundbites, to ance, too little to the bas old business of putting together a

essoned argument." None of the candidates would demus from that, or from most of what Mr. Hurd-says. In such a genteel contest, finding areas of disagreement between them is a matter of nuance, of body language. But Mr Hurd is too shrewd a politician not to know what is at issue. He asks the question of him-self. If there is so little between them, "then what the hell is it all about?"

"Politics isn't only about policy. It's about people, their capabilities and their experience. We have a crisis in the party, with an election 18 months away. There is the Guil, and a European problem. In my view, beating Kinnock is not going to be very difficult; he fought his best campaign in 1987. The first thing is to unite the party. I think I could do that a bit better. Comins from the central part of the party, have the qualities to tackle the basic problems of 1991-92. It is a

straight choice between people." Mr Hurd is that rare politician what used to be called a rounded man. He is wholly of his world, having spent 16 of the last 20 years at its epicentre. Yet he contrives a novelist's detachment from it. Why on earth does he want this awful job, which seldom leads. down a path of happiness and leaves its travellers so often exhausted and bitter?

"It's not a nice job, but it is unique, as Lord Melbourne said." You see a beckoning finger appear and you think all right, let's go where the finger beckons. I do know the job. The wire is a very high one. But to go for it was an irresistible decision.

At exactly the same moment, a week before, Margaret Thatcher was sitting on a similar sofa not faraway in the Chilterns, contemplating with pain her possible sacking from the job that Mr Hurd desires. Would he really be disappointed if he failed to get it? The answer was his shortest of all. "Yes."

Walters finds another ear

ne of the more interesting Suggestions about what Mrs Thatcher might do now that she has some unexpected time on her hands has come from the English-language Soviet News, based in London. "She may like to join Sir Alan Walters, who is working with Boris Yeltsin in Moscow," a spokesman for the paper said yesterday.

Walters, whose influence Downing Street led to the resigna-tion of Nigel Lawson as Chancellor, has been on an exhaustive tour of Eastern bloc countries offering hope of a new salvation: the free market.

He has worked extensively in Poland and lectured in Prague, so it seemed only natural that Yeltsin, recently elected leader of the Russian Federation and widely regarded as Gorbachev's heir apparent, should turn to him to put flesh on his proposals to reform Russia's sick economy. With many expecting Yeltsin to mount a challenge for the Soviet leadership, Walters could evenmally help shape the future of the entire Soviet Union.

Observers in Moscow do not believe Walters will enjoy the same close relationship with Yeltsin that he had with Mrs Thatcher since the Russian president surrounds himself with dozens of advisers. But Walters should not be underestimated. At the height of the controversy about his role at Downing Street he told a meeting in Dallas, Texas. that it was inaccurate to describe him as the former chief economic advisor to Mrs Thatcher. He was.

● These are tough times for pol-tical advisers who lose their jobs, temporarily at least, when the prime minister resigns. Patrick Rock, right-hand man to Chris Patten, the environment secretary, may have more to fear than most. Although Patten and Rock see eye to eye on most subjects, they differ on who should be the next Tory leader. Patten has declared his support for Hurd, while Rock has gone for Heseltine, David Trippler, another DoE minister, is also a trippler. Heseltine man, while his colleague Michael Portillo is backing Major.

Just write X

ohn Major's supporters for the leadership will be heart-ened to know that their man is the graphologists' choice.

Gloria Hargreaves, author of The Lovers' Handbook Handwriting and Personal Relationships, has analysed the scrawl of all three contenders. Heseltine is given short shrift. "He has a brilliant mind and the ability to recognise essentials and act upon them," says Hargreaves, "but he is some-what egocentric, moody and restless. The wide space between lines. shows he is set apart and fears ess with others.

Hurd fares better. "A direct, honest, likeable and articulate person who nevertheless plays his cards close to his chest," is the verdict. "A conscientious man who is a diplomat to the fingertips, a good negotiator. Though he appears to be easy to deal with, beware of the iron fist in the velvet

But Major receives the highest plaudits. "An idealistic man of intelligence and ambition who is never satisfied with his own achievements," is Hargreaves'



the need to prove himself and has uncompromising ideas of right and wrong."

entirely fair. While Hargreaves: had a sample of a few lines of Heseltine's handwriting, the other two assessments were based on signatures alone, which, as any graphologist will tell you, are often contrived flourishes.

Laying it on the line

while the chief aides of all three leadership candidates have probably. offered the same government job to a dozen backbench waverers in an attempt to guarantee their support, at least one MP is having none of it, Michael Brown, MP for Brigg and Cleethorpes, a member. of the No Turning Back Group and Thatcher supporter in the first round, is so tired of the promises - and answering questions about the contest - that he has left this message on his telephone answering machine: Hallo, I'm sorry I'm not at home to take your call at the moment. If you are doing an opinion poll for a newspaper you

need trouble yourself no further -

I am undecided. If you are ringing

I would like to be governor of the Cayman Islands, and I would also like to have a baronetcy. But if you have a better offer please leave it after the tone." So far, Brown has not had any offers.

One good turn...

f, driving along the highway, you see an overturned car and you stop to pull three people from the wreckage, you would surely expect some thanks. Not in Los Angeles, it seems. Jim Campbell, a 31-year-old carpenter, performed just such a good sameritan act — only to be sued by one of the injured passengers, who claims he placed her "in an unsafe place". She is also suing a policeman, on the grounds that he failed to take anequate measures to warn approaching vehicles. Not suprisingly, Campbell now says he would hesitate before helping were he to come across an accident in

The city already has a "good samarian" law that protects dootors, nurses and other emergency personnel from lawsuits, an moves are now afoot to extend it

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to cover ordinary citizens. City councillor Joel Wachs says: "If we don't act we shall have people standing idly by while others die in the streets."

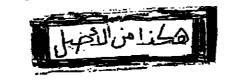
● Soon after John Major became Chancellor he and David Mellor, Chancettor ne una Duvius mettor, now the arts minister, went one. Saturday to Chelsea Joobball club, where the manager, Bobby Campbell, introduced them to the team. Major told them: "Listen, fellows, the method of the stay." any win bonus you get today is taxfree." Alas, says Campbell, it did not work out like that, "but that makes him my kind of politician."

Stage Irishman

hen the actor Michael MacLiammoir died in 1978, Ireland gave him, as behits one of its favourite sons; what amounted to a state funeral. Flags flew at half mast, Shops closed. Both the president and prime minister were there. But now, it is suggested, MacLiammoir was not the quintessential son of Erin everyone took him for but à Londoner.

A new biography, The Importance of Being Michael, written by Michael O hAodha, an anthority on the Irish theatre, claims that MacLiammoir, who acknowledged that his real name was Alfred Willmore, was in fact born not in Cork, as has always been maintained, but at 150 Purves Road, Willesden. There seems to be no evidence even that his father. was of Irish background, but the book does refer to "enigmatic and contradictory traces of a Spanish family connection".

The finest role MacLiannnon, played, it seems, was not Hamlet-or lago but Michael MacLi-ammon You don't have to be



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DIPLOMACY'S LAST DITCH

The United Nations has until the end of this week to demonstrate its collective will to force Iraq out of Kuwait. America, which holds the rotating presidency of the UN Security Council this month, has waited until the last moment before asking the UN this Thursday to authorise military action if Iraq refuses to withdraw by January 1. The move has been left until late because failure to agree would gravely damage the international consensus without diminishing the absolute necessity of defeating Iraq. Further delay was impossible, however. America had to take the plunge before Yemen, an ally of Iraq which opposes the use of force, takes over the chair on Saturday for December.

Success is not assured, but Washington had no sensible alternative. The United Nations has responded well, if sometimes tardily, to the threat to international peace posed by frag's aggression. The Security Council's ten resolutions since August 2 have all been supported by at least 13 of its 15 members. No state has sought to water down the UN's stern demands for unconditional Iraqi withdrawal and restoration of Knwait's legal government. The UN has thus earned the right to be put to the

ultimate proof. President Bush and the American secretary of state, James Baker, have worked hard to minimise the risk of a rebuff. They have consulted all the 14 other governments on the council except Cuba, some of them many times. The Soviet foreign minister, Eduard Shevardnadze, last week brought the Kremlin's influence to bear on China, the most reluctant to endorse military action of the five permanent members. Mr Baker must now judge that none of the five permanent members will resort to a veto and that he has more than the minimum of nine votes needed for success. By convening the council at foreign minister level, he hopes to emphasise the gravity of the stakes and to secure a speedy

decision. Wisely, the Americans have also declined to challenge the UN to invoke Article 42 of the UN Charter, involving truly collective use of force "by land, sea and air". That article would oblige all states to contribute whatever assistance the Security Council requested. But never in its history has the UN agreed to act under Article 42. Members might haver for weeks before taking such a step. Or they might get bogged down in protracted arguments about whether to place the forces under UN

command, even though to do so would be a

political handicap and a military nonsense. The draft now being circulated among the five permanent members sensibly takes resolution 665 of August 26, which sanctioned a naval blockade to enforce sanctions against Iraq, as its precedent. Resolution 665 was a masterpiece of obliquity, nowhere mentioning the words "blockade" or "force". While clearly requesting all states to do whatever was needed to bring all trade with Iraq to a halt, it left naval commanders in the area to decide the "measures commensurate" with that objective. Similarly, this resolution would call on individual states to take all necessary measures to secure Iraq's withdrawal, if a peaceful solution is not achieved by January 1.

The decision to present President Saddam Hussein with a deadline appears to have been forced on Washington by France and the Soviet Union. Both have insisted that military action must not be seen as the automatic consequence of the UN passing a resolution. They argue that the date will concentrate Saddam's mind, while leaving a window open for diplomacy.

Setting a deadline precludes further argument about the size of that window. But in the short term, any deadline gives Saddam diplomatic and even military opportunities. He will make the most of the interval to intensify his mental torment of the families of foreign hostages by alternately raising their hopes and increasing their fears. He can husband his military resources secure in the knowledge that no strike is imminent. Should he intend to attack Israel as a last-ditch bid to split the alliance, he will know when he must strike.

The Americans have accepted that a deadline is essential to secure the resolution's passage, but in doing so have forfeited the chance to launch a surprise attack. If force has to be used against Iraq, a formidable enemy, the commanders in the field must be given as much freedom as possible to maximise their advantage. January 1 is Washington's proposal and it is a tighter deadline than the two months sought by some of its allies. Since that date still permits some narrow leeway for choosing the moment to attack, the US should hold its ground. However important the endorsement of the United Nations may be, it is a sufficient but not a necessary condition for the use of force. Nothing is as important as victory.

POWER AND RESPONSIBILITY

Has the press exercised power without responsibility over the fall of Margaret Thatcher? Has a great prime minister been thrown from office because of the bloodlust or at least the newsbust — of a new Her loyal acolytes are saying so. For them, Mrs Thatcher's demise cannot be her fault. Villains must be found, assassins accused, the "Get Thatcher" brigade exposed. The media thus join Michael Heseltine in the dock.

Such views mistake the press's relationship with politics. In the first place, newspapers are competitive, not monopolistic. Each of the five serious dailies is separately owned and edited, as are the five quality Sundays. That they could form a conspiracy to bring about the downfall of any prime minister is a myth beloved of paranoid politicians. Time was when Lords Northcliffe, Beaverbrook and Rothermere could attempt such an exercise but not today. and least of all in the case of Mrs Thatcher. She enjoyed support from a majority of newspapers and was urged to stay in the leadership by many, including The Times.

Modern newspapers are seldom free to set their own agenda independent of current events. The market is too fierce for that. Today's press faces competition from the electronic media, especially from the burgeoning news programmes on radio and television. Quality newspapers cannot suppress events, nor can they create controversies where none exist. Events dictate news coverage; coverage

does not dictate events. The crumbling of Mrs Thatcher's position began with the poll tax, the 1989-90 inflation, the rows over Europe and Sir Geoffrey Howe's resignation. This policy substance was magnified by the impact that the prime minister's style had made on her colleagues after 111/2 assertive years at the top. True, had the leadership contest been determined by an electoral college of party members or the voters at large, the press might have been accused of generating the destructive hysteria. But this electoral college is just 372 strong. It communicates by means of tearoom gossip, telephone and fax machine. It has no need of the media.

So much the newspapers can plead in their defence, but not much more. Newspapers cannot have it both ways. They cannot hand down judgments of stentorian import on political events and then, when criticised as being irresponsible in their influence, claim no greater role in affairs than as fish and chip wrappers. "Facts are the shadows which statements cast on things", said the philosopher. In a world in which not everything can be reported, selection of the news-worthy necessarily means exclusion and thus censorship. Since newspapers are a prime means of political communication with voters, they cannot pretend this selection is without

The opinion polls have long shown that Mr Heseltine is a better vote-getter than Mrs Thatcher. Any newspaper commissioning a poll is, by accident or design, helping his campaign. Conservative MPs read leading articles and columnists. They would not waste the time if they meant to disregard the opinions expressed therein. In a close-fought contest, such opinion can be decisive. Feature material reveals, or conceals, aspects of a candidate's personal or family life that might influence a vote, especially in a contest in which policy differences are so minimal.

The media amplifies. There is no device, statutory or voluntary, that will disrupt the dynamics of a news story as it gathers pace, even if it were desirable to do so. The fate of a great prime minister is a news story of gigantic proportions. Newspapers must try to select material fairly and to express their views fully. The Times believes its views will be most considered if formed only when the campaign debate has run its course, irritating though this may be to some readers. Its verdict will appear tomorrow. There, the responsibility of newspapers ends and that of politicians begin.

YORKSHIRE'S CRICKET TEST

There's trouble oop Yorkshire County Cricket Club. The 23 members of the club's general management committee will tomorrow vote on whether to follow the rest of England by recruiting outside the county. Last time the proposal came up, they threw it out. The controversy was always fierce, but this time it has turned ugly, after claims of racial bias on the part of Yorkshire's selectors.

Several incidents in which a minority of the club's supporters behaved disgracefully towards black members of opposing teams have fuelled these suspicions, though such conduct is not confined to Yorkshire and is not condoned by the club. But the admission of outsiders to the team has become a symbolic test of tolerance. Justly or not, Yorkshire cricket's reputation for fair play is now at stake.

If the progressives, including Geoffrey Boycott, win the day, cricketers from the Commonwealth could soon be signed. If the traditionalists, led by Brian Close and Fred Trueman, prevail, the charge that the club harbours prejudice, not only against everyone born outside Yorkshire, but against black or Asian Yorkshiremen too, will be hard to refute.

This charge remains unproven. However, even though the team's captain and manager dismayed by poor results - want open recruitment and young black and Asian players have been included in training programmes,

positive discrimination is not the answer either for Yorkshire or for the ethnic minorities. To give places in the team to black or Asian cricketers whose abilities did not warrant inclusion would be a mistake. Nor is there much evidence that the acquisition of established players from overseas would draw large crowds of black or Asian spectators to county matches. What attracts crowds is winning and Yorkshire should choose between Khans and Sidebottoms on the basis of cricketing prowess alone.

Yorkshire will have to integrate itself with the rest of England. That will not be easy. Yorkshire is more than a county. It is a culture. Robust individualism is its hallmark. Mrs Thatcher knew what she was doing when she made Bernard Ingham her spokesman.

The older Yorkshire families are proud of their Viking stock. Tykes are different. Professional Yorkshiremen see themselves as an embattled minority. This, were they wise, would make them tolerant, welcoming, even enthusiastic towards those who likewise suffer from prejudice. Descended from immigrant ancestors themselves, they should know how rejection by a host on grounds of origin can hurt. A vote to broaden the recruiting base of the county cricket team would send a suitably bluff message to those who feel they live in Yorkshire without being of the place: "You too holone have now show no what me ---

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Round two battle lines for tomorrow's contestants

From Mr John L. Davies Sir, The hostile reaction in certain quarters against Mr Michael Heseltine is ill-considered and illogical. The only person to blame for Mrs Thatcher's political demise is herself, not her opponent or Sir Geoffrey Howe or indeed any of her former ministers who have felt compelled to put prin-

ciple before power.

It is of course regrettable given her conspicuous achievements on the international stage and the resolution of certain major domesresolution of certain major domestic problems that the prime minister has been obliged to resign by
reason of the deep divisions
within her own party and the
unpopular impact of certain policies passed by her and her cabinet.
Mr Hurd and Mr Major must
share responsibility for part of this
management or leadership failure,
and their credibility in the rece for and their credibility in the race for leadership is unavoidably tainted by what has gone on before.

It is reasonably clear that the gap between the three contestants over Europe is not divisive. The failure of Mr Hurd and Mr Major to offer any solace or constructive proposal in respect of the community charge suggests that a govern-ment led by either of them is unlikely to withstand the scrutiny of the electorate in the longer

Mr Heseltine has so far conducted his campaign with com-mendable dignity; he has a valid claim to the moral high ground of having previously placed principle before power, and offers the government an exit route from certain of the unpopular policies that have contributed to the present crisis. His selection would confirm to the electorate that the Conservarive party favours changes of substance and not just style.

The criticism of Mr Heseltine's ability to unite the party also fails to withstand close scrutiny. It is unlikely that he would wish to dispense with either Mr Hurd or Mr Major, and if he were to include Sir Geoffrey Howe in his cabinet, possibly as Lord Chancellor, party unity would swiftly follow. In this respect I hope Mrs Thatcher's antipathy towards Mr Heseltine will not influence Tory Heseltine will not influence Tory MPs into rejecting the obvious and best solution to their party's present electoral unpopularity.

The selection of Mr Heseltine

would also guarantee the contin-ued eclipse of Mr Kinnock as a parliamentary debater. That guarantee is less certain if either of the other two contestants were elected. It will be a Conservative disaster if a misplaced loyalty to Mrs Thatcher or to those who share responsibility for her policies operates to defeat the most obvious candidate able to ensure that Mr Kinnock is excluded from

Yours faithfully, JOHN L. DAVIES. 24 Old Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, WC2. November 23.

From Miss Annie Norris and Miss Ali Bohm

Sir. Times readers will no doubt be interested to read the results of the poll carried out today (November 23) at Queen's College, Harley Street, London. Voters were all female, aged 11 to 18.
Of 249 votes cast the results

were as follows: John Major 98 (39.5%); Douglas Hurd 71 (28.8%); Michael Heseltine 63 (25.5%): spoiled votes 17. It appears that Heseltine is not attractive to the younger female voter, whereas Major is. It also appears that the tactics of Major and Hurd, in spoiling the Heseltine platform, have been successful, as they gained almost 75 per cent of the vote. It also seems definite that a third poll will be needed. Mrs Thatcher's 55 per cent begins to look quite substan-

Yours faithfully, ANNIE NORRIS, **ALI BOHM** (Returning officers), Queen's College, Harley Street, W1, November 23.

From Mr Mark Loveday Sir, The Opposition has for seven years stressed the youth of its leaders. Now Conservative MPs have the chance to match Labour's "youth" card and trump it with the experience of their leadership team. John Major, one year and a day younger than Neil Kinnock, has served in government for seven more years than the Labour leader. Douglas Hurd is two years the senior of Roy Hattersley, with three more years government experience than the

deputy Labour leader.

Major as prime minister and
Hurd as his deputy — that is the dream ticket".

Yours faithfully MARK LOVEDAY Francis Taylor Building, Temple, EC4. November 22.

From the Reverend David J. Ellis Sir, If John Major really believes that a classless society is achievable, he is indeed unique in the history of politics. I fear, therefore, that he may end up as the most disenchanted politician of all time. Cloud-cuckoo-land is not the place from which an aspiring prime minister should announce his intentions.

Yours faithfully. DAVID J. ELLIS. 12 Burcote Road, Wandsworth Common, SW18.

From Mr Martin Drew

Sir, As a grassroots Conservative who helps in election campaigns I do not blame Michael Heseltine for dividing the party. The party is in trouble because of the prime minister's divisive attitude on Europe and because of the illthought-out community charge legislation which she and Nicholas Ridley bamboozled the party into

accepting.
Michael Heseltine's actions in the last two weeks have saved the party from certain defeat in the serves the gratitude of all Conservatives, and the votes of the party's members in parliament. Yours faithfully, MARTIN DREW,

24 Hugh Street, SW1.

From Mrs Evelyne Waters Sir, As Conservative MPs cal-

culate their choice they might consider how the wider electorate, with its inherent sense of fair play and decency, views this unedifying spectacle of hypocrisy and opportunism. Members of Mrs Thatcher's cabinet, her own nominator and seconder, hastened aboard the moving train and thus split the "loyalty" vote (in the name of "choice"). They can now be observed, in genteel manocuvres, distancing themselves from the more unpopular policies they in government supposedly helped shape and endorsed.

Michael Heseltine, however, has never disguised his own ambitions but took the considerable risk of openly challenging Mrs Thatcher. She characteristically planned to fight on; it was her "loyal" lieutenants who dissuaded her. Resent him as she may. Michael Heseltine was the catalyst, not the cause, of her downfall, and seems far more likely to equal her own courage,

charisma and determination in

office than would those former

colleagues belatedly seeking her

Yours faithfully, EVELYNE WATERS. 7 Allèe du Moulin. 95650 Boissy L'Aillerie, France. November 24.

From Mr H. Maxwell-Lowe Sir, We have heard a great deal recently about grey-suited men. We are now confronted daily on our TV screens by two suited grey men: Mr Hurd and Mr Major.

After the regrettable departure of Mrs Thatcher, for heaven's sake let us at least retain some flair and flambovance in the leadership. Only Mr Heseltine has the ability to exercise the sort of popular appeal needed to win the next election for the Tories.

Yours etc. H. MAXWELL-LOWE. 36 Fontwell Close, Rustington, West Sussex. November 23.

From Mrs Roslyn Pine Sir, Mr Michael Gross's assessment (November 23) is widely off the mark. The choice of Mr Heseltine as leader (perish the thought) would only compound the agony. The grass roots of the Tory party and the floating voters will never forget that it was Mr Heseltine's relentless pursuit of ambition that has deprived this country of its democratically elected prime minister.

Yours faithfully, ROSLYN PINE 80 Upper Park Road, Salford, Lancashire. November 23.

From Mrs Carole Magoni

Sir, I am greatly relieved that at last the autocratic premiership of Margaret Thatcher has come to an end. She governed this country with an iron rod and with little compassion, especially for the poor people. She has treated her cabinet

ministers shabbily, not making good use of their individual talents and wisdom. I admire the courage of Sir Geoffrey Howe in his resignation speech refreshingly eaking from the heart (something ministers rarely seem to do these days) and in so doing opening up the challenge for a change in leadership of the Conservative party. I look forward to the next prime minister (hopefully Michael Heseltine) governing this country fairly with a united cabinet of respected ministers.

Yours faithfully. CAROLE MAGONI, The Waldrons, Queens Road, Crowborough, East Sussex. November 22.

From Lydia, Duchess of Bedford Sir, I hope that MPs as they vote reflect how Kinnock and the Labour party's hearts would sink into their boots if Heseltine wins!

LYDIA BEDFORD Ribsden Cottage, Chertsey Road, Windlesham, Surrey.

Changing rules for Tory ballot

From Dr Benjamin Thompson Sir, May I comment on the rules under which the Conservative party has been conducting its current leadership election?

The claim is now otiose, but supporters of the prime minister urged us that she "won" with a majority of 52 votes over Mr Heseltine on Tuesday. Before then, however, much was being made on all sides of the "pay-roll vote" and the "loyalty factor", which work in favour of an incumbent prime minister. These elements must have accounted for a substantial proportion of her 204 votes; and it is because of them that the current rules recognise that a first ballot against an incumbent leader (and a fortion a sitting prime minister) does not take place on a level playing field.

In the light of claims that under any "normal" election procedure the prime minister would have "won" on Tuesday, it is tempting to speculate what would actually have happened if a simple majority had been necessary. More abstentions from the prime minister's vote, perhaps, and possibly more candidates in the ring from the start; but the most likely consequence would have been no contest at all. For there are "no foreseeable circumstances" in which any but the most foothardy might challenge a prime minister under such rules. As it was, Mr Hesel-

tine's gamble only just paid off. When, therefore, members of the Tory party call for a change in order to avoid this public bloodshed, they are using Lord Home's rules as a scapegoat. The first issue to be addressed is simpler, it is whether or not the party wishes to have a mechanism to replace a sitting prime minister at all, particularly since it seems that it cannot rely any more on the "men in grey suits" to avoid an election. Under any rules, an open contest while the party is in government will divide and humiliate it.

If the rules are changed so as to require a candidate to demonstrate the declared support of a certain percentage of the parliamentary party, it will probably rule out such a challenge until the party is in opposition. One question to be asked therefore is whether the winner will be as enthusiastic as the prime minister's supporters now are for such a change - and, indeed, whether they still are.

I am, Sir, etc., BENJAMIN THOMPSON, Peterhouse, Cambridge. November 22.

From Mr James Leigh Sir, Many have criticised the rules under which the present leadership contest is being conducted.

One does not need to be a weights and measures inspector to spot the dice now being loaded. For the anti-Heseltine interest, it is unimportant whether opposition is split two or 20 ways so long as every anti-Heseltine vote has its home. In a third round, of course, the confessed mutual regard and closeness of his opponents should ensure that each is the second choice for the other's supporters. Heads, Mr Hurd or Mr Major is likely to win. Tails, Mr Heseltine is likely to lose.

Yours sincerely, JAMES LEIGH, Ulwards Lodge, Thornton Watlass. Ripon, North Yorkshire. November 23.

Reflections on Thatcher's leadership and how the pilot was dropped From Mrs J. T. Fearne

Sir, Thank you to Margaret Thatcher for all she has done and for her wisdom in knowing when to stand down.

Now, never mind "stop Hesel-tine", let "stop Kinnock" be the clarion call. I do not believe the electorate will take kindly to a prime minister who comes from the ranks of Mrs Thatcher's "yes men". The non-committed voter is looking for someone with Maggie's strength against the rest of the world, tempered with a little more caring for the genuinely less fortunate at home.

I am a long-term Conservative voter who would have abstained at the next election if Margaret Thatcher was still prime minister -one, I am sure, of many who feel the same way.

Yours faithfully. JUNE T. FEARNE, 63 Tachbrook Road, Feltham, Middlesex. November 22.

Sir, "The positive gaiety of her courage" was the felicitous expression used by Ronald Butt ("A missionary in politics", November 23) to describe Margaret Thatcher's performance in the House of Commons yesterday. She elevated a sordid and mean occasion into a magnificent and,

From Rabbi Dr Sidney Brichto

indeed, liberating experience. Her display of strength comforted her supporters, discomfitted her enemies and set an awesome example for those who design to assume her mantle of leadership. Faithfully yours, SIDNEY BRICHTO,

The Athenaeum, Pall Mall, SW1. November 23. From Mr M. W. W. Vowden Sir, Amid the sentiment about "ingratitude" and "betrayal", Ronald Butt's masterly evaluation

of the Thatcher years is a beacon

- "I hope that her successor is in the same mould" - made me

The sad truth is that a great missionary, after years of brilliant achievement, has thrown in jeopardy the permanence of her best work, and with it the future of her country, by her own wanton neglect of the most elementary rules of party political management. In the same mould? No. No.

Yours faithfully. . W. W. VOWDEN. 19 Madrid Road, Barnes, SW13. November 23.

From Mr D. R. Hylton Sir, The sight yesterday of so many hypocrites waving their parliamentary papers in support of the prime minister after her magnificent defence of this gov-

ernment's record made me recoil If it was not for the ludicrous vision of Neil Kinnock entering No. 10 Downing Street I would abstain from voting in the next election: though if Michael

Heseltine stands, so too will my abstention Yours faithfully D. R. HYLTON, 35 Hampton Park, Bristol, Avon. November 23.

From Mr Richard Eales Sir, A final verdict on Mrs

Thatcher's famous pronouncement as she entered 10 Downing Street ("Where there is discord, may we bring harmony ... ") is best left to historians. Whom, if anyone, she will be quoting as she eaves is not yet clear.

Meanwhile, it may be worth remembering that Saint Francis himself was capable of a little pragmatism on occasion. His early Franciscan rule contains the provision that "if, at any time it seems Minister General is insufficient for the service and common good of the brothers, these brothers, to whom the duty of election is given, are bound in the Lord's name to choose another brother to rule over them".

Yours faithfully, RICHARD EALES, Eliot College, University of Kent at Canterbury, Department of History, Canterbury, Kent. November 23.

From Mr T. R. M. Hayward Sir, Many Conservative MPs will view with horror, not perhaps what they have done, but how they have done it, when the whole sorry leadership election shambles is over. Of course, by then it will be too late. Neil Kinnock is right for once. The electorate as a whole should be allowed to pass judgment on the whole shoddy proce-

dare. Yours faithfully. T. R. M. HAYWARD, Oakley House, Bromsgrove School. Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. November 22.

From Mr I. H. Seach-Allen Sir, Now the Conservative MPs have seen the enormity of what they have done (Political sketch, November 23), perhaps they would be wise to "write in" Margaret Thatcher's name at the next ballor.

Yours faithfully, IVAN SEACH-ALLEN, 5 Pulton Mews, W2. November 23.

From Mrs B. M. Willis Sir. I am confident that after a short time to recover from the deep hurt she must be feeling Mrs Thatcher will still have much to offer her party and her country, not the least of which will be how to be a good and constructive Heath and Sir Geoffrey Howe have been unable to learn. Yours faithfully. MARY WILLIS Little Redstone, East Walk, Reigate, Surrey.

From Mr Norman Hampel Sir. We do not have to like our political leaders; we must respect them. Margaret Thatcher can never be accused of courting popularity; nobody, however, commands more respect in rankand-file Tories at home or amonest other world leaders. It is a tracedy for Britain that she has decided to resign. Yours faithfully. NORMAN HAMPEL Two Oaks, Slade Oak Lane,

Denham, Buckinghamshire

November 22.

From Mr G. T. Jones Sir, If the departure of Mrs Thatcher was motivated on the basis of her being a negative factor in a forthcoming general election. how can the Labour party achieve the same result in removing their current leader who is even a greater political liability? Yours faithfully, GWYNN TUDNO JONES.

Pafin Bach, Carreg Goetan Trefdraeth, Dyfed. November 23.

West Midlands.

From Mr V. A. Martin Sir. Does Mrs Thatcher now have cause for complaint to the Equal Opportunities Commission on the grounds of sex discrimination? Yours faithfully, V. A. MARTIÑ 22 Carisbrooke Drive. Halesowen,

November 22. Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 25: The Prince Edward, Patron of the Scottish Badminton Union, this after-noon attended the finals of the Carlton Vauxhall Scottish Open Badminton Championships at Meadowbank Sports Centre, Edinburgh.

His Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord Licutenant for the City of Edinburgh (Mrs Eleanor McLaughlin, the Right Hon the

The Prince Edward this evening attended the Grand Order of Water Rats' Annual Ball at the Grosvenor House London

Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in atter KENSINGTON PALACE November 25: The Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, London Suzuki Group, this afternoon attended a Concert at St John's Smith Square, London SWL. Mrs Michael Wigley was in

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S.R. Broch and Miss T.C. Thornton The engagement is announced between Simon Richard, son of Mr and Mrs M. Broch, of Farnham, Surrey, and Teresa Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.R. Thornton, of

Mr P.D.G. Chavesse and Dr S.C. Nicholson The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs R.G. Chavasse, of Forestside, Sussex, and Sonia, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.G. Nicholson, of Amesbury, Witshire.

Mr N.C. Elison and Miss H.M. Morgan The engagement is announced between Nicholas Charles Ellson and Hilary Myra Morgan, both of Wokingham, Berkshire.

Mr M.T. Fletcher and Miss A. MacCaw The engagement is announced between Mark Thomas, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Thomas Fletcher, of Ipplepen,

Devon, and Amanda, younger daughter of Commander and Mrs Brian MacCaw, of Chartham, Kent.

Mr J.A. Haster Mr J.A. Hasler
and Miss J.A. Lee
The engagement is announced
between James Alexander,
second son of Dr John and Mrs
Lindsay Hasler, of Peppard
Common, Henley-on-Thames,
Oxfordshire, and Josephine
Anne, daughter of Mr David
and Mrs Margaret Lee,
of Sherfield-on-Loddon of Sherfield-ou-Loddon,

Mr F.W.J. Hervey-Bathurst and Miss A.P. Warburg
The engagement is announced
between Frederick, son of Mr and Mrs John Hervey-Bath of Somborne Park, Hampshire, and Annabel, younger daughter of Mrs Sally Warburg, of London, and Mr Donald Warburg, of Zurich.

Marriages

G.A.P.M. von Hidegh-Pickler and Miss J.E. Smith The marriage took place at a private ceremony, in Lincoln, on Sanuday, November 24, 1990, between George Attila Peter Michael, 27th Baron of Chij, Rumania, the only son of the late Dr George Heury Hans Peter von Hidegh-Pichler and Frances Margaret von Hidegh-Pichler, now Thompson, to Jillian Elizabeth Smith, of

Mr M. Robertson and Miss M. Peek The marriage took place on Saturday, November 24, at St Michael and All Angels Church, Loddiswell, of Mr Malcolm Robertson, son of Mr and Mrs Alistair Robertson, and Miss Mary Peck, daughter of Captain and Mrs William Peek. The Right Rev W.S. Llewellyn and Rev Dr R.J.K. Law officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Joanna Robertson, Lorna and Catriona Robertson Andrew Robertson, Simon Hughes and Andrew Meeke, Mr. on Keeble was best man. and Miss M.T.A. Anderson

The marriage of Mr Robert St John Cooper, son of Mr and Mrs John St John Cooper, of Hampstead, and Miss Meryl Anderson, daughter of Mr and Mrs Riq Anderson, of Walberswick, Suffolk, took place on Saturday, November 24, in St Andrew's Church,

Lord Annaly

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Luke Robert, 5th Baron Annaly, will be held at noon on Wednesday, November 28, 1990, at St Clement Danes Church, Strand, WC2.

Labouchere, of North Einham, Norfolk, and Caroline, daughter of the Hon Mrs Arthur Lawson Johnston, of Odell Manor, Bedfordshire. Mr F.M.H. Randolph and Miss G.C. Descheeses

Captain D.H. Labouchere and Miss C.J. Lawson John

The engagement is announced between Captain David

Labouchere, The Queen's Own Hussars, son of Mr and Mrs J.P.

and Miss G.C. Descherancker
The engagement is announced
between Fergus Mark Harry,
youngest son of the late Peter
Randolph, CBE, and of Mrs
Peter Randolph, of Denham
Village, Buckinghamshire, and
Grist Cécile, younger daughter
of Dokter and Mevrouw Pol
Descherancker, of Tarbout acker, of Torhout

Mr LC. Robi and Miss F.E.M. MacNab The engagement is announced between Ian, only son of the late Mr Roy Robino and of Mrs Marjorie Robino, of Colden Common, Hampshire, and Fiona, only daughter of Antonia O'Kennedy, of

London, SW11. Mr I.D. Simpson and Miss P.J. Gardner

The engagement is announced between Ian Donald, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Simpson, of Wells, Somerset, and Pamela Jane, only daughter of the late Mr Jack Gardner and Mrs Pamela Gardner, of Eastbourne, East Sussex.

Dr A.J. Slater and Miss C.H. Brace The engagement is announced tween Andrew James, son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Slater, of Woodbridge, Suffolk, and Candia Helen, daughter of Dr and Mrs W. L. Brace, of Woodford Green, Essex.

Mr N.F. Wells and Miss LM. Cook The engagement is announced between Norman, son of the late Captain W.R. Wells, RN, and of Mrs V.J. Wells, of Bawdsey, Suffolk, and Isobel, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.L. Cook, of St

Major-General Sir John Acland,

Birthdays today

Albans, Hertfordshire

62; Sir Richard Acland, former MP, 84; Professor Margaret Boden, philosopher and psychologist, 54; Dr Cyril Cusack, actor, 80; Sir Alan Delton, actor, 80; Sir Alan Dalton, former chairman, English Chima Clays, 67; Mr Geoffrey Drain, trades unionist, 72; Sir Sädney Eburne, former Senior Crown Agent, 72; Lord Forte, 82; the Earl of Gowrie, 51; Sir Patrick Graham, former High Court judge, 84; Mr John Gummer, MP, 51; Mr RW. Hamilton, former Keeper of the Ashmolean Museum, 85; Pro-Ashmolean Museum, 85; Pro-fessor Sir Harry Hinsley, former master, St John's College, Cam-bridge, 72; Vice-Admiral Sir James Kennon, 65; the Earl of Lovelace, 39; Lord McFadzan of Kelvinside, 75; Mr John McVie, rock guitarist, 45; Mr John Moore, MP. 53; Mr A.A.S. Rae, former chairman, Ciba-Geigy, 65; Mr Charles Schulz, carroonist, 68; Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, 67; Mrs. Barbara Switzer, trades unionist, 50; Miss Tina Turner, singer, 52; Mr Des Walker, footballer,

Dinner The Royal Scottish Corporation The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the 325th anniversary festival dinner of the The Royal Scottish Corporation (The Scottish Hospital of Foundation of King Charles II) held on Sat-urday at the Savoy Hotel. Mr urday at the Savoy Hotel. Mr
H.R. Stewart Hunner, chairman
of the committee of management, presided. The Lord
Mayor, Sir William Macpherson of Cluny, QC, and Sir
Campbell Adamson also spoke.
The Rev Professor Robert
Davidson, Moderator of the
General Assembly of the
Church of Scotland, was among

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Nature notes

YOUNG magpies that have not yet got a territory for themselves are roosting in small flocks. The older birds stay in pairs all through the winter, and remain in their territories. In cold weather they store acorns or other food in holes in the ground; while they are digging a hole with their beak, they keep the food concealed in a pouch under

Jackdaws move around more in the winter: some come down from the hills, or cross to Ireland; others flock in from the continent. They feed mostly on pasture, strutting rapidly through the grass looking for insects and

their tongue.

The hooded crows of Scotland and Ireland are very seen in Fnoland but along the sel and chickweed.



now a sprinkling of hooded crows from Scandinavia. With their grey backs and chests. they are quite distinct from the all-black carrion crows though in fact they are all one species, and the two forms can

interpreed. their annual dinner on Saturday in Hyde Park Barracks. Major B.W. Lane, chairman, presided. A few flowers can still be seen, and most of these will Mr Simon Richards, assistant superintendent, Central Royal Parks, was the guest of honour and Inspector John Clarke, Hyde Park Police, was among survive the winter white dead-nettle, with its flowers sedentary birds, scarcely ever like a dragon's head, ground-

OBITUARIES

PROFESSOR ROBERT OWEN

Professor Paul Robert Owen, CBE, FRS, emeritus professor of aviation at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, died on November 11 at the age of 70. He was born on January 24, 1920.

ROBERT Owen was noted for his valuable research in the acrodynamics of aircraft and was the first in this country to show that supersonic military aircraft would be practicable He was an inspiring teacher and an effective and much respected leader of a research

He graduated at Queen Mary College, London, and in 1941 joined the aerodynamics department of the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough, where he was to do some of his most important work. The development of the jet engine meant that the speeds of military aircraft were approaching the speed of sound. This introduced many new difficulties in aerodynamics and Owen's work gave valuable belp to the designers of the new jet fighter aircraft. After 1945 he concentrated on problems of supersonic flight In 1953 Owen joined Manchester University as reader and director of the fluid

motion laboratory and three



came the department of mechanics and fluids. In 1957 he established the honours school of aeronautical engineering and this has continued to grow and flourish. During his time at Manchester years later he was appointed professor of mechanics of he widened his research in-

terests in fluid mechanics to

fluids and the laboratory be-include such topics as noise, heat transfer and the transport of dust in coalmines leading to explosions.

In 1963 he was appointed Zaharoff professor of aviation. and head of the department of aeronautics at Imperial College, London. There he showed Margaret, and his outstanding qualities as a two daughters.

leader of a research team and at the same time continued to pursue his own research interests. He was elected fellow of the Royal Society in 1971. However, his research interests were moving away from aeronautics into studies of the transport of solid particles by motion of a fluid, especially the movement of sand in deserts under the influence of wind. These studies were of great importance in countries with desert areas and in pursuit of his work he visited many such places both before and after his retirement from his chair in 1984. With his ability to under-

stand readily the essence of almost any problem and express it concisely he was in great demand as a member of committees. Appointed CBE in 1974, he was chairman of the Aeronautical Research Council from 1971 to 1979 and had served as member and chairman of many of its committees in earlier years. He was convinced that the council and its committees were of great value in promoting progress in aeronautics and he was distressed when the council was disbanded in

1980 He leaves a widow Margaret, and two sons and

HUGH MacLENNAN

Hugh MacLennan, Canadian Two Solitudes has as its novelist, has died aged 83. He theme the tragic conflict bewas born on March 20, 1907. tween French and British

HUGH MacLennan, who as The Precipice (1948) and probably did more to help Each Man's Son (1951), exam-Canadians understand them- ined the legacy of the puritanselves than any writer of his ism which their author had generation, once wrote that he known well in his own father. seldom thought of himself as a. These books and others did Canadian until he went to well in German translations, Oxford. The son of a proud and Return of the Sphinx Calvinist Highland Scot, he (1967) was popular in Polish. was born in Cape Breton and He was translated into 10 grew up in Halifax, but for other languages. Among his long thought of himself more non-fiction books are Scotch-

year "to represent Canada-atlarge". He described the next three years, spent at Oriel 1978. College, Oxford, as the happi- Ma est of his life. He explored

a Latin teacher at Lower influential, too. The most Canada College, Montreal. He remained there until 1945. He had written two novels while at Princeton, and both had been accepted by publishers. However, fortunately ... each of them folded mysteriously ..." he was subsequently to say, adding that the humility

learned thereby did him no harm. But, later, Mac-

Lennan's American wife pointed out to him that no known contemporary fiction was being written in Canada" and suggested be did some-thing about it. The result was the memorable Barometer Rising (1941), one of the finest novels

in Canadian literature. Its importance lies in the fact that most other Canadian novelists of that time, who included the popular Mazo de la Roche, got was the first truly Canadian novelist. Barometer Rising is set in the Halifax of 1917 at nitions explosion in the port, which the author had witnessed as a boy of 10 and

MacLennan never equalled with quite such unequivocal enthusiasm he made very Latin" in order to write the 11

nationhood.

Canadians. Other novels, such "Nova Scotian" than man's Return and other Es-Canadian.

MacLennan was educated this country, and The Colour at Halifax Academy and in 1928 graduated from Dalhou1928 graduated from Dalhou1972). A selection of his sie university there. He won a essays, The Other Side of Rhodes scholarship in that Hugh MacLennan, was made by Elspeth Cameron and pub-lished with great success in

MacLennan, Time magazine once said, would have Europe on a motor cycle in his been much more widely novacations and learned ticed in America if he had made more noise and not After gaining his BA he "just quietly gone about his returned to Halifax but could business which is to write not get a job owing to the good, solid novels about depression. Fortunately he Canadians." But his humane had been a fine scholar, and and sensible advice to his when Princeton offered him a countrymen to stop graduate fellowship he ac apologising for themselves cepted. He gained his PhD in was appreciated where it 1935 and in that year became counted, and it was often



unforgettable of all his characters is the gentle, smashed-up boxer Archie MacNeil in Each Man's Son. Voices in Time (1981) is an attempt to be Tolstoyan which does not along by ignoring their Tolstoyan which does not Canadianness MacLennan quite come off, but there are few panoramic accounts of Canada more easy to read.

MacLenrian was awarded the time of the great mu- the governor-general's medal on five occasions and received a number of honorary degrees. From 1951 he worked at which he here employs as a McGill University, Montreal, symbol of Canada's emer- as a lecturer in English litgence into self-awareness and erature, becoming a professor ationhood. in 1967 and professor emer-its has been argued that its in 1979. He made Montreal his home but to his this novel, but while none of frustration he never really its six successors was received mastered French and was pessimistic about the relationship between anglophone and considerable advances in francophone Canada. Though them. He gave up "teaching translated into French his boys who had no wish to learn books never really had a great

second, Two Solitudes (1945), MacLennan's first wife, for the first had put him on the Dorothy, died in 1957. Two map and had enabled him to years later he married the get a Guggenheim Award former Frances Warner, who (1943).

ROBERT HOFSTADTER

Robert Hofstadter, American Nobel prizewinner in physics, died on November 17 aged 75. He was born on February

ROBERT Hofstadter shared the 1961 Nobel prize with Rudolf Mossbauer of West Germany for his work on determining the precise size and shape of the proton and neutron, the minute fundamental particles that make up the nucleus of the atom. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences also acclaimed him for helping to provide the first "reason-ably consistent" picture of the structure

of the atomic nucleus. Hofstadter taught at Stanford Univer-sity from 1950 to 1985 and was director of the university's high energy physics laboratory from 1967 to 1974. A decade's research led him and colleagues to determine the average radius of the neutron and the proton to be 24 to 32 quadrillionths of an inch. They then directed a beam of electrons from a 220foot linear accelerator at various nuclear targets. By studying the deflections of the electrons as they bounced off the targets, they obtained what they termed a consistent picture of the nuclei's

structure. attended public schools and New York a target. The fuse was supplied in City College before going on to take a master's degree and a doctorate at helped turn the tide in the battle against Princeton University. He then moved to the German V-1.

Appointments

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CAPTAIN: P K Haddacks. - Staff of
CNCFLEST 12.4.91: J H Durt MOD London to rank of Crive 8.1.91:
\$ H G Johnston - MOD London
27.11.90: D H G Morgan - MOD
London 10.5.91.
COMMANDER: D Conley - MOD
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CNCNAVHOME 28.1.91: N O G
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SURGEON CAPTAIN: K H SUMME 2.2.91.

COMMANDERS: E Hughes-Thomas 12 1 91; M K Johnson - 21,1.91; A C Moore - 2,2.91; H G B Stade - 5,1.91

MAJORS: D G Savers - RMR Scottend as CO, 11.7.91; M J Norman - RM Poole, 22.7.91; I McNettl - 42 Cdo RM, 9.7.91; W M McDermott -MOD, 17.791.

LIBUTENANT GENERALS: Sir Peter de la Billiere – BF Comd Middle East. 6.10.90: R H Swinburn – To be GOC SE Dat. 1.12/90.

MAJOR GENERAL: R N Wheeler To be ACCS, 30-11-90.

MAJOR GENERAL: R N Wheeler To be ACOS. 30.11.90.

BROGADIENS: T J Granytille-Chaensan - To be Comd HO 12 Arrad Bde,
26.11.90: K O'Donoighus - To be Comd Engr HQ 1(BR) Corps.,
28.11.90: K O'Donoighus - To be ACOS HQ 1(BR) Corps., 28.11.90: R W Trigger - To MOD. 26.11.90: R W Trigger - To MOD. 26.11.90: B W GAOK R ACOS - To be Cand Sup HQ LONUEST. 26.11.90: D W Cook R Signals - To MOD. 26.11.90: P Mortes WFR. - To CHEC. 26.11.90: P Hotmes WFR. - To CHEC. 26.11.90: P R Pursey WFR. - To CHEC. 26.11.90: P R Pursey WFR. - To CHEC. 26.11.90: D GANG RAPC - To be COMD FID RAPC Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Fannagam IONOS OWN BORDER - To SIAPE Staff. 26.11.90: S J A Check BOOK - TO BE CO IOOR.

Honorary appointments

Major General Colin Edward George Carrington, late Royal

Corps of Transport, is ap-pointed Colonel Commandant Royal Corps of Transport, from

Major General Duncan Love

Major General Dincan Love Macphie, late Royal Army Medical Corps, is appointed Colonel Commandant Royal Army Medical Corps, from January I, in succession to Major General Trevor Stuart Hart.

GROUP CAPTAR: R S N PETTY - TO MOD AFD: W M BUTNET! - TO HOADROUTH: C R Spink - To RAP Contingeny as Stn Cit.

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Service dinner

Combined Cavalry "Old

The Combined Cavalry "Old

Comrades" Association held

Royal Air Force

in the Forces

Royal Navy

ROYAL MARINES

The Army



Stanford. In the second world war he was a physicist at the National Bureau of Standards, where he helped to develop the proximity fuse, a tiny radar set in the nose of an anti-aircraft shell which detonated the shell when it pased close to quantity to British AA batteries where it

California to teach and do research at Hofstadter always felt his work in 1948

The University of Ulster has appointed Professor Trevor Arthur Smith, formerly senior

vice-principal of Queen Mary and Westfield College, Loudon University, as vice-chancellor from next October, following the retirement of Sir Derek

Peter Stubbs, reader in economics, to be professor of economics; Timothy Ingold, senior lecturer in social anthropology, to be professor of social

Other appointments
Lecturer in Landscape Design, Paul
Brysmi, Lecturer in American Studies,
Mark Jancovich; Lecturer in French
Hearth Jancovich; Lecturer in French
Hearther in Hearth Mommel Lecturer in European Politics (in the
Department of Government). D M
Parriel: Lecturer in Social Anthropolouv. Penelope Harvey; Lecturer in
Speech Pethology in the Department
of Educational Studies, Julie Marshalt;
Lecturer in Diagnostic Raciology.

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research into coronary angiography, a technique for exploring heart functions with radioactive substances instead of with more risky catheters. In retirement he also became interested in astronomy and contributed to a gamma ray observatory that is due to be sent up in a space shuttle next spring. He also had theories outside the world of science. On one occasion he advocated that each American home be provided with an electronic voting machine in order to establish the classical Greek form of democracy in the

He enjoyed skiing, Stanford sports events and jazz. He also spent time on his 800-acre cattle ranch in the tiny northern Californian town of Flournoy. Institute of Technology and the Weizmann Institute of Science and the author or editor of books and many papers.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy, a son and two daughters.

University news Today's royal

engagements The Princess Royal will address the Oxford Union Society at

Princess Margaret will attend the opening of the Contem-porary View 1990 exhibition at the Royal College of Art at 7.20 and present the awards.

The Duke of Gloucester, as President of the Cancer as President of the Cancer Research Campaign, will visit the campaign's offices in Nottingham at 3.30; will visit the Department of Climical Oncology, City Hospital, at 4.35; and attend a reception at City Hall at 6.00. The Duchess of Gloucester, as

Chief Patron of the Women Caring Trust, will attend the House of Lords v House of Commons charity swim at the RAC at 8.00.

Prioce Michael of Kent, as President of the RAC, will attend the RAC stage of the World Rally Championships in Pickering, Yorkshire, at 9.30am.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: William Cowper, poet, Great Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire, 1731; George Foster, explorer, Nassenhuben, Poland, 1754; William Arm-strong, Baron Armstrong, in ventor, Newcastle, 1810; John Alexander Newlands, chemist, London, 1837; Sir Henry Cow-ard, musician, Liverpool, 1849; Sir Aurel Stein, archaeologist, Budapest, 1862.

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Memorial service

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Dom Fahian Cowper An ecumenical service of thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Dom Fabian Cowper was held on Saturday at St James's, Spanish Place Father Michael Hollings office ated and gave an address.

Father Barry Naylor read from the works of St Aelred, Sister Eva Heymann from A Focus on the Relationship between Self-Development and

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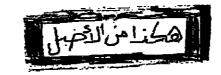
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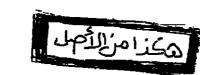
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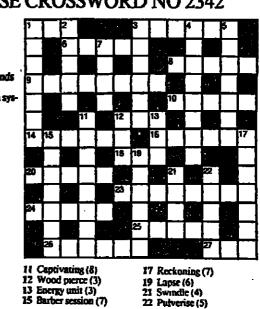
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member of Parliament, or private gentleman, of public spirit enough to convene such a meeting? In his first interview as education secretary, Kenneth Clarke tells David Tytler of his plain-speaking, no-nonsense plans for education

Tough talk from the new master

education secretary, and the man charged with bringing credibility back to the state education system, conducted a personal opt-out of comprehensive education in the Seventies when he sent his two children to independent schools.

Mr Clarke, a grammar school boy who went on to study law at Gonville and Cains College, Cambridge, was living in Birmingham at the time, and says that he did not send his children to the local comprehensive because academic standards were so low that the school could muster only between

ten and 11 O-levels a year.
"We lived in a middle-class enclave where one of my neighbours was a Labour city councillor who took the same view," he says. People, even with Marxist principles, agreed with me. The modcrates bought a house in Solihull, where there were good schools, and they could say they were remaining true to their principles of using the state system. You either paid through the mortgage

Mr Clarke is clear that you do not set about improving standards by attacking the élite. The answer, he says, is to improve the state schools so that parents are happy to send their children to them.

Under his administration there are unlikely to be any major new initiatives, but there will be changes. Mr Clarke says that he hopes local authorities will use the opportunity to opt out of national negotiations to recruit the teaching force best suited to their needs.

They could, for example, pay for out-of-school activities, or a longer school week," he says, "but they have to bear in mind whether they can afford it." It may be, he adds, that the local authorities could find the extra money by having "fewer people paid more; that's the kind of thing they can

He hints, however, that increased resources might be available for education: "I don't mind spending money as long as you get something for it." He is not prepared to find the "ludicrous" £45 million that the unions

teacher appraisal in all 109 local education authorities. He is, nevertheless, on the verge of overturning John MacGregor's decision that it should only be introduced on a voluntary basis and not made compulsory, as

originally envisaged.

He is looking at teacher assessment "carefully", he says, and adds. "Things have changed since John made his decision, and it is apparent that it is not working on a voluntary basis." At the mo-ment, only a handful of education authorities operate assessment schemes. More local authorities, it is believed, would be more prepared to remove the bad teacher, after an unfavourable report on performance and after all remedial attempts had failed, if all councils

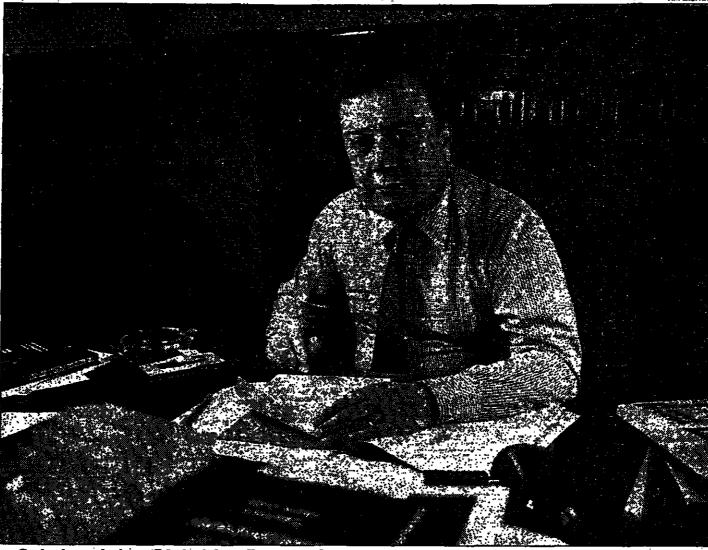
were bound by the same rules.

Mr Clarke's school advisers will also find him a tough opponent. The first issue is likely to be with the National Curriculum Council, which was asked by Mr Mac-Gregor to consider which com-pulsory subjects could be dropped at 14 to allow children to take other GCSE courses in, for example, the three sciences, the classics and economics. Mr MacGregor suggested that they might consider dropping art, music and physical education, while combining other subjects such as history and geography. The request was turned down by the council earlier this month when it said that all pupils should study all ten curricuhum subjects up to the age of 16, although it might be possible to combine some and reduce the teaching time in others.

"It is not instantly apparent that they have taken in what has been said," Mr Clarke says. "The curriculum must not become prescriptive and exclude the whole variety of options that people want to exercise."

He says plain speaking, and a no-nonsense approach to unions and the education establishment, will be the hallmarks of his

He told Mrs Thatcher that, unlike her, he did not support the idea of education vouchers and made his opposition public soon



Getting down to business: "I don't mind spending money as long as you get something for it," says the Secretary of State for Education

after he was appointed. "I wanted to get it out of the way." He claims to have been "amazed" when Mrs Thatcher asked him to move from the health department to education, after Mr MacGregor's appointment as Leader of the House to replace Sir Geoffrey Howe. "I told my staff the night before that the

feeling of public mease which they have articulated, but without providing any particular remedies," he says. "We have to reassure the public that we are addressing standards and improving them

He is derisive of Labour policy, which rests, he says, on nothing other than reversing all the de-

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two cabinet ministers who would not be moved, because of the reforms going through, were John MacGregor and me," he says.

Many believe that Mr Clarke has been appointed to present more rugged opposition to Labour, which has made the running in promoting education as the most important issue in the run up to a general election. "There is a

cisions of its opponents, such as returning grant-maintained schools and city technology col-leges to local authority control and phasing out the assisted places scheme, which offers government help to less well-off families whose children are accepted for independent education.

After only two weeks in his new job, Mr Clarke is reluctant to not change A-levels, but would

commit bimself, but it is clear that he intends to increase the number of schools that choose to opt out of local authority control. The government is disappointed that the

umber so far stands at only 56. "The present arrangements are complicated, but that is not the main problem," he says. "The present difficulty is a political one, with schools concerned that, having been allowed to opt out, a Labour government will turn the decision over.

"But there is safety in numbers and I believe there will be a flood of applications after John Mac-Gregor's decision to allow all schools to opt out. When there are hundreds of them, as I envisage, it will be much more difficult for the Labour party to abandon them." Mr Clarke is awaiting advice

from the School Examinations and Assessment Council (Seac) on how and whether A-levels should be changed to "broaden" sixth-form education, and to encourage more teenagers to stay on in education or training after 16. He made it clear that he would

look at ways in which other courses including perhaps a revised AS level, could be offered, in schools, colleges or at work.

His initial reaction was not to look too kindly on Seac's pro-posals that all A-levels should cover "core skills". "This sounds to me about the ability to articulate, be literate and numerate." Mr Clarke says. "I should have thought it was reasonable to expect that all A-level candidates could already do this.

"What we need is good quality education and training and a wider choice for every pupil, and this need not be based on A-levels. I have the suspicion that many who want changes want to do it on the back of A-levels because of

The mention of "core skills" led the new education secretary on to a pet hate: the indiscriminate use of education jargon. "I do not intend to lose the layman's suspicion of jargon," he says. "When I first saw the phrase 'assessment tasks', I thought 'tasks' was a typing error for tests. I propose to go on using the word tests."

NOTICEBOARD A question

of principal fighting it out at Westminster, a

second leadership battle was taking place in Wales, where the Thatcher role was played by Sir Aubrey Trouman-Dickinson, the principal of the University of Wales College of Cardiff. Sir Aubrey was due for his two-year stint as vice-chancellor of the federal university until its court voted by a narrow major-

ity to have Sir Herbert Duthie. he provost of the College of

Medicine, instead. The change was made to give Sir Herbert the honour before his retire-ment, but the effect has been to deny Sir Aubrey the post in the university's centenary year.

John Wylie, the deputy print cipal of the college, says: "The structure should only be changed if something happens to a college, such as the Cardiff merger in 1988, but the rota is being changed on a personal matter. That is an improper use

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A princely pitch

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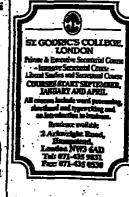
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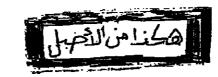
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Drawing up the lines of battle

The battle being fought over the future shape of courses in architecture is becoming increasingly bitter. The dispute, about plans to shorten courses, which has already forced the government into court, is seen as a prototype for similar exchanges in other professions.

Architectural education has been in a state of periodic turmoil

for almost a decade, usually over the number of students the profession can support and the number of schools necessary to produce them. There have been divisions at times, even within the professional bodies, on that score.

No sooner has that question apparently been settled, however, than an even more fundamental one has arisen.

John MacGregor, as education secretary, proposed in May that the architects' traditional five year higher education course be reduced to four years, restructuring it to ensure that the essential

content was retained.

Although the architects them-selves have insisted that such a change would cause irreparable damage to standards, the higher education funding councils, which were the first bodies to be consulted, have, notably, failed to spring to their aid. Instead, students on existing

courses have been caught up in the dispute after a discovery that the award of a first degree after three years made mandatory grants for iater years illegal

That, in turn, has brought in other professions whose courses are a similar length. Medical degrees at Oxford, Cambridge and Nottingham, and town and country planning courses throughout the country, are now being exam-ined to see whether they also fall foul of the regulations.

The education department has sisted it had no alternative but to withdraw the grants after receiving legal advice, but its later decision to delay the introduction of a permanent new system until after the course review has brought accusations that students have been used to step up pressure in the wider dispute.

The department's reaction has also confirmed the architects' view that they stand as proxy for other professions that will be required to shorten their courses if the MacGregor proposal goes

For this year at least, students are being offered bursaries that should compensate for their loss of grants and fee payments. The Royal Institute of British Architects (Riba) is challenging the government's ruling in the High Court before Christmas, but any

The Royal Institute of British Architects is fighting cuts in student grants and government plans to trim courses, John O'Leary reports, and there are fears that the threat may spread to other professions



Down but not out: members of a Riba class in action, but will students be the first to suffer ents?

change would come too late to be implemented before the summer term. The real issue remains the length of courses.

As far back as 1985, in a green paper on higher education, the government established the principle that professions should normally pay for extended training beyond the traditional first-degree period. Since then, however, ministers have been more concerned to hold back the trend towards longer courses in science and engineering than to set about shortening others. Oxford, Cambridge and Imperial College, London, have all started introducing four-year degrees in engineerand others would like to

The savings from a year's reduction in architecture would not be great. Riba estimates that only £500,000 a year would be saved, although the education department argues that no accurate calculation is possible until the final shape of a four-year course is determined. However, only if the change led to the closure of one of the schools of architecture would the amount become substantial.

The department insists that the proposals are not intended primarily to save money, but to produce a more efficient education for architects. In putting his plans to Riba, Mr MacGregor referred to concern about weaknesses in existing courses, inefficiency in the use of time and resources, and the desirability of transferring some training from schools to architectural practices. Mr MacGregor said in his letter:

basic cost-effectiveness of their present arrangements has not been called into question. It is hard to say the same in relation to architectural education."

The department's consultation document mentioned the position in law and accountancy, where graduates undertake further parttime study before qualification, in asking whether it is reasonable for architectural students to have more than four years' support from the public purse.

The department has put for-ward four possible models for the seven years of education and practice architects believe to be necessary before registration.
They include the retention of split courses over a reduced timescale. a four-year, full-time course and alternative mixtures of sandwich and full-time courses. The consultation paper also leaves open the possibility of different schools operating a variety of course structures.

n its submission last week, Riba did not even consider the possible organisation of a four-year course, arguing that a satisfactory education would not be possible over a shortened period. Riba has already decided that all its members should take updating courses in addition to the five years.

The association points out that

five years is now the norm for an initial qualification throughout the world and that new requirements, not least from the govern-ment, all add to the amount of knowledge architects need.

Maxwell Hutchinson, the president of Riba, says: "It is not only architects who will suffer if the course is reduced to four years. Architecture will suffer as well. Not even our stemest critics have ever argued that architects are

He adds that the issue is one of the government's attitude to higher education and not one for architectural education alone.

That is the reason why the proposals have attracted the attention they have, Although ministers insist there is no intention to extend the principle to medicine, dentistry and veterinary studies, the larger student numbers in those subjects would produce significant savings if costs could be transferred to the professions.

The professional bodies are watching closely, already bruised from past battles with Kenneth Clarke, the new education secretary. Few expect him to spare the architects, who may soon have to begin thinking the unthinkable

The language of winning business

four-day intensive course in Spanish was all it took to Lenable Julie Ann Morse, the European sales director of Shor-Line, the American veterinary equipment manufacturer, to exhibit at a trade fair in Barcelona. After 40 hours' tuition in German, Dr Dennis Briaris, the managing director of Techlok, an engineering company in Port Tal-bot, south Wales, could communicate with colleagues in Frankfurt and understand Germany's prod-

uct quality regulations.

Both are former students of Swansea University's Centre for Applied Language Studies, where Dr Jim Milton is pioneering rapid learning techniques for adults. "We cater mainly for the busi-

ness community and tailor courses to meet individual companies' needs," he explains.
"Learners are taught the vocabulary necessary to fulfil specific tasks, such as negotiating, holding a general conversation, or answer ing the telephone. For example, if an engineer wants to understand technical drawings compiled by a sister company in Paris, we focus on appropriate

terms and ensure that French to telephone a colleague with quehe has sufficient ries. In Britain we have a phobia about languages. We do not think we can speak French or German unless we are fluent. That is a wrong atti-

tude because most people do not need fluency. They just want an ability to communicate clearly and be nice to customers."

Miss Morse agrees. "I was taught sufficient Spanish to greet clients, explain the equipment and discuss prices. That, plus how to find my way around in Spain, was all I wanted to know."

She admits the course was tiring, as it involved learning 2,500 new words in four days, and expensive at £800. However, with one-to-one tuition throughout, and all lessons geared to enabling her to succeed in Spain, she says the course was worth the effort and the money. The Spanish is still handy, as she has to keep in touch by telephone with the buyers she met at the exhibition.

For Dr Briaris, too, the one-toone tuition was the key to the success of the course. "The roleplay situations have helped me to converse with potential cus-tomers, essential for a company such as ours, which exports 75 per cent of its output," he says. "With

1992 on the horizon, we have to be able to sell our products in Europe. The Swansea course has

helped us to do just that." As vocabulary is the basis of Dr Milton's approach, the first thing he needs to know is how many words a student understands. For this, learners sit a computer test. French and Spanish nouns and verbs appear on the screen with nonsense words that look like the real thing. If learners claim to understand these words, it is obvious to Dr Milton that their knowledge is limited. After the computer test, individual courses are devised to encompass the oral and written language the business

person needs.

The self-financing Swansea centre is not limited to teaching. foreign languages to industrialists. however. It also introduces English to learners from overseas. Just as British businessmen learn French to sell their goods in France, Chinese students come to Swansea to learn the English necessary to attract western investment to China. A

Abdul Aziz Military Academy, in Saudi urgent mission. He is learning the English vocabulary necessary to understand the tems being deployed in the Gulf. Although Swansea specialises in teaching languages and his students are convinced

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that the best time to learn is childhood. Caroline Munro, a Parisienne who arrived in Wales four years ago, wanted her children, aged four and three, to retain their French culture and established a

French Saturday school in Cardiff. "At first, only French speakers attended," she recalls, "but now, a year after the school opened, more than half our pupils aged from three to 11 are British. They come for a good grounding before starting formal lessons in French at secondary school."

Mrs Munro, who charges £3 per pupil per day, is helped by three French nationals but, as none is a qualified teacher, she hopes the French education ministry will finance a qualified member of staff. "With more pupils turning up every week, more staff are needed, particularly as I am planning to run evening classes to meet demand," she says.

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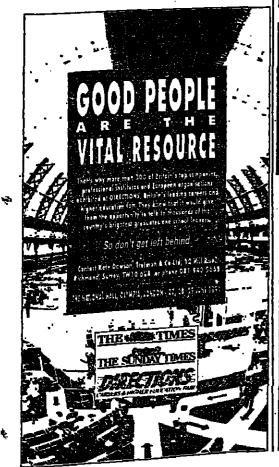
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The stately condiments of England

The Duchess of Devonshire, chatelaine of Chatsworth, one of Britain's noblest houses, welcomed a special party of Far East tourists recently. George Hill reports on a

blue-blooded and savoury export drive

hey had travelled 10,000 miles to Chatsworth, in Derbyshire, because of the chutney. The visit by the Far East Inward Mission, under the aegis of the British Food Export Council (BFEC), figured as a "factory visit" on the itinerary.

In the morning they had visited the Weetabix plant at Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire; now it was lunch with the Duchess of Devonshire at the chutney factory. The mission's members, representing the food import trade in Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Korea, must be receiving a green impression of British industry.

The duchess had ordered the great cascade to be turned on in their honour. All down the hillside, between the ancestral lawns, trickles were beginning to spill over the stone lips of the 300-yearold watershide, as the missionaries tiptoed shyly into the overwhelmingly gilded and portrait-beset dining room, to meet the manag-

As Stilton is to cheese, and Bath is to Oliver, so Chatsworth means to become to chutney - and also to cranberry sauce, Cumberland sauce, Christmas pudding and marmalade. The duchess founded Chatsworth Food Ltd three years ago, as a means of supplementing the perennially precarious fi-nances of a house that can claim to be one of the three or four finest in all England. The company's turnover in gourmet fare has risen to about £300,000 a year, with more than 200 outlets in Britain and a growing export business in America and the old Commonwealth.

Now the BFEC had arranged this visit, last week, for representatives of the food trade in the Far East. The council hopes to create trading contacts in markets where English chutney represents

adventure as raw fish does in Derbyshire. The possibilities are extensive: Britain's food exports to Japan alone rose from £80 million to £215 million between 1987 and 1989, but remain only a fraction of a food import market worth £18 billion.

Waiting for the mission to arrive, its hostess was inclined to make light of the enterprise. "It's like playing shop," the duchess said. "Have you ever served in a shop? It's the greatest fun. They used to let me serve in the farm shop until they installed the mechanical till, which I was much too stupid to operate."

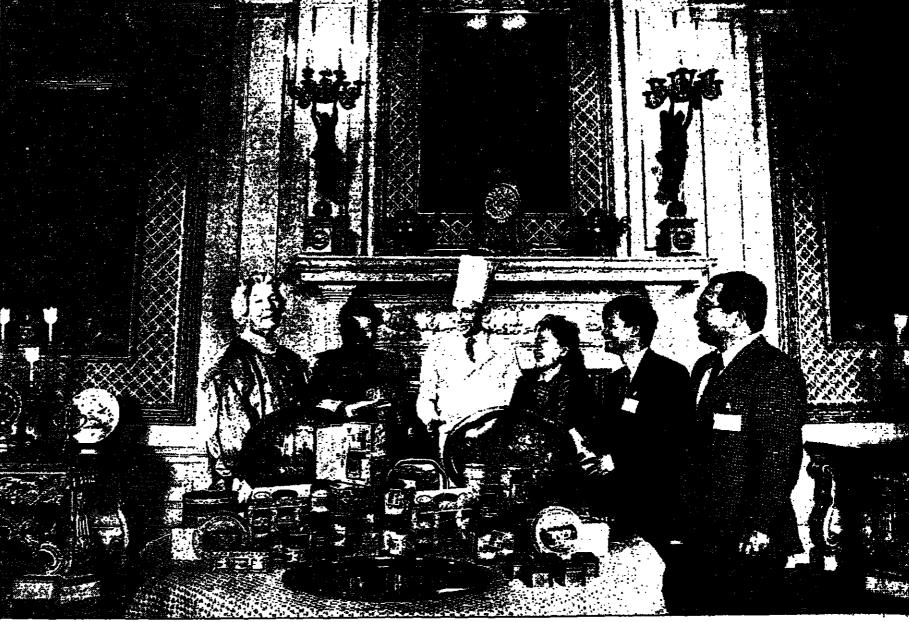
Behind the patrician selfdeprecation lies a keen business sense and a complete awareness of the market value of the Devonshire name. When the present duke and duchess inherited the 175-room house in 1950, it was swamped in debts and sadly faded after generations of neglect.

Room by room, they have restored it to a sound condition and most of its original splendour, although some of its greatest treasures have had to be sacrificed to secure its future.

"I don't think you'd find a big house that makes ends meet today," the duchess said. "The food company makes a minor contribution to the finances as yet, but it is growing, and all the profits that are made come back to contribute to the upkeep.

"Apart from the house, we have 90 pensioners living on the estate, rent and poll tax free, so you see it is a pretty big operation," she added. "And they don't seem to die very much . . .

Sitting in the heart of the Chatsworth estate, with its deer park stretching away to the autumn woods enclosing the horizon, and its model villages of pretty stone-built cottages nestling



Get them while they're hot: the Duchess of Devonshire and chef Jean-Pierre Beraud (third from left) display their wares to a party of Far Eastern entrepreneurs

discreetly just out of sight of the house, it was hard to blame them. "It all began because, after many years of going to fetes and bazaars, I couldn't help noticing

that the home-made food stall was always the first to be sold out," the duchess said. "So, when a very young and energetic cook simply dropped out of the sky - Jean-Pierre Beraud, a great friend - he started making things to sell in our shops here. The things he made just walked out of the shop. One year he made 3,000 pounds of marmalade by hand, and said: 'Never again.' We just couldn't meet the demand in our kitchen with our two cooks, so we began to look outside, to manufacturers who could meet Jean-Pierre's high

Snobs who think that noblesse oblige precludes descent into the market-place might complain that today the Chatsworth link promotional device. The mustard comes from south London, the jams from Herefordshire, and the biscuits from "a terribly clever man in Lancashire".

ach item is imposingly presented in packaging which proclaims the Devonshire connection, and is endorsed with Her Grace's printed signature. "The duchess has made a concession to convenience by offering her Chatsworth blends of tea in bags, as well as the original loose tea leaves," the publicity material declares, to buyers who may be doubtful whether tea-bags qualify as U or non-U. The copywriters contrive to make her soar from the ges of Debrett into that realm inhabited by Mr Kipling and Captain Birdseye.

"Possibly I felt some inhibition to start with about seeing my name used on the publicity," the

duchess admitted. "But I'm so interested in the company and the products that I think I've lost that, Besides, if you say a word often enough, it stops sounding strange. I think people do respond to the fact that this is a real story, about a real place and actual people."

The eponymous condiments were served at lunch, with the sun streaming through the tall windows and Henry VIII presiding life size above the buffet. Less formal than the king, but not a whit less grand, in a multicoloured jumper embellished with woollen epaulettes, the duchess sat between Mr Saki and Mr Kusakabe from Japan, and played

the duchess for all she was worth. Japan appears to be a receptive market for imported delicacies imbued with the glamour of English history. The Japanese are great present-givers, always on the lookout for something special. Taiwan might prove a more

difficult market, because of a 40 per cent tariff barrier against imported foods. Mr Sung from Korea observed that Korean customers were "highly conservative". It was generally agreed that savoury items were more likely to succeed than sweet ones.

"Japanese customers attach especially high importance to healthiness and freshness in food products," said a member of the visiting party. "If you buy prawns in a supermarket, you often find that the prawns are still alive in the packet."

"Poor things!" cried the duchess, torn between compassion for the prawns and courtesy to her guests. "But how sensible people are, to want their food to be fresh and healthy."

Resourcefully, she changed the subject to her grandfather, who was a member of the first official goodwill mission sent from Britain to Japan, in the 19th

century. This went down-well. How long had the estate been in the family, someone asked. Nearly 500 years, she replied. There were grunts of reverence around the table. Outside, the shadows of the lime trees under which Dr Johnson once discoursed crept across the smooth lawns. It was a scene of such secure and timeless screnity that it seemed impossible death duties and dry not could ever have

Bess of Hardwick, founder of the fortuoes of the Cavendish family, would have approved of her successor, as she gamely batted on for Chatsworth, exercising all the Mitford charm, and doing her best to live up to the punning Cavendish family motto. which is carved in giant letters high on the superb south front of the house: "Cavendo tutus", which may be loosely rendered as "Keep one eye on the main chance".

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hatever hap-pened to the no-tion of a happy childhood? Even without physical abuse, children suffer "fantasies of danger and death, anxieties so enor- and a suicide attempt; John, mous they're hardly bearable, cringing fear and a slow burying of feelings which were once eager and intense cruelty often the more terrify-

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Dr Reinhold has seen too much pain: she can no longer witness the most commonplace supermarket altercation without plunging into ag-onised empathy. "Tight-lip-ped mothers drag shrieking offspring bodily along the heartless rows of washing powders and tinned food Little faces, set in silent despair, break down; and when the toys on display, which are meant to tempt, are removed by tiny hungry hands, angry mothers snatch them back, loudly reprimanding."

There is some irony, perhaps, in the fact that a book peaceful a handsome, strong designed to free people emotionally wounded in childhood from unconscious guilts and self-loathing will un- attention of doubtedly be read by numer- psychotherapist. ous parents of present-day children, plunging them into fits of guilt and remorse

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Libby Purves meets a therapist whose book seems designed

whose mother spent long periods writing, and not talking to him, and ended up impotent

... no, stop, stop. In a world where "permanent emotional damage may We are all victims of our bedone a child by the absence aggression to the child you later, when I'd had therapy sis is not universally desirable. thought you loved, "Some patients

knowing one's own motives is clearly impossible without professional help. On the very same page of this petrify-ing book I read that

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she says. In Britain
to jump and climb may be a myself, and, when I saw her it also takes broad-minded rationalisation of your secret wish to hurt him, and a warning that over-enxiety could give the child feelings of incompetence and incapability for life. Into therapy,

In this classic state of mingled fear and aggression, I approached the author herself. not in her Harley Street consulting rooms, for she retired to France five years ago, but in a peaceful London hotel. Dr Reinhold is equally faced woman who gives every question (or indeed idle remark) the close, concentrated

"The book is meant for people who are unhappy and damaged," she said. "There are millions of them, and most will start out by claiming that wonderful and impeccable. They take all the blame on

themselves.
"I am talking about lack of else: it isn't true," she says.

to strike fear into mothers and fathers: do they need it? own aggressive feelings and except for the area of psycho-

dealing sensibly with them." Her own childhood, in rational and helpful." South Africa, is instructive. In her 25 years of private self had had a younger brother who stole the limelight from her, and made her hostile to

'I wish we could get rid of this myth that all natural parents adore their children and vice versa. It does immense harm'

who discover such a simple

ogy, she moved to psychiatry, originally for professional advancement, and disliked it: "In the Sixties they were using convulsive treatment, all sorts of weird ideas - I loathed it all

therapy, which seemed to be

"It was unhappy. My mother practice, she says she has was unkind and deprived me developed a relaxed, more emotionally. She preferred my casual approach than the traelder sister, because she her- ditional voice-behind-ascreen analyst with a couch. "I younger children. I didn't mits, which not all members understand this natil much her profession do, that analy-

Some patients benefit more by rationalisation and support than by going right into their past: it takes intelligence and character to face up to some kinds of damage,"

with grandchildren, being hos-ness to venture into analysis at tile to the younger one."

Knowing this, she found the curious release and happiness experienced by many people ery magazine and jargon such as "low self-esteem" tripping truth in analysis; it set her on from every half-educated her life's work. From neurol-tongue, "most people say 'Pull tongue, "most people say 'Pull yourself together," Dr Reinhold says. "They are distinctly opposed to the idea of having an unconscious mind." The book might help.

For normal patients (are

there such?), it might at least encourage self-examination. Or, even better, social questioning. There are curious insights into the oddness of our culture and the way it increases damage: the sentimental insistence that parents automatically love children ("Really not so, and it would be a help to unloved children if we admitted it") and the unnatural nature of the mod-

em family. "If there are grannies and aunts and uncles all living close together, a child has a better chance of finding someone who actually does love and respect it. Parents take on complete emotional responsibility, which is unnatural and hard." For a one-parent family, she adds, it is appallingly hard.

But is there not such a thing as a real happy childhood? "Of course there is. There must be millions of secure, sensible, aware parents. It is a question of loving your child and being conscious of the importance you hold in its life." And the supermarket altercations? "Actually," Dr Reinhold says reassuringly, "if a child is loved and valued, and knows it, you can be quite harsh about small things and it doesn't matter."

• How to Survive in Spite of Your Parents, by Margaret Reinhold, is published by



Walking wounded: Dr Reinhold says there are millions of 'unhappy and damaged' people

Opening doors for the retired

Who can counsel the less than retiring

on the challenges of retirement?

ne of the most striking retiring workaholics? While cases that Allin Mrs Thatcher is unlikely to purchase the Open Univerwith as an expert on change sity's Planning Retirement or and retirement was that concerning the doorkeeper of a famous London botel. "For graduate MSC degree course of the country's only part-time post-graduate MSC degree course of the country's only part-time post-graduate MSC degree course of the country's only part-time post-graduate MSC degree course of the country's only part-time post-graduate MSC degree course of the country so that the country's only part-time post-graduate MSC degree course of the country so that the country so th 50 years the man had met in Life Course Development royalty from all over the at Birkbeck College, London world, wearing a grand uniform. One day he was the doorman there - the next day he had gone. Can you imagine how hard that was to take?" Mr Coleman, aged 62, is a

pioneer in what he calls change management" in Britain and Europe, and a consultant to British companies such as Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, the accountants. The label "retirement expert" displeases him, not only because he has himself retired several times but because the word retirement is, he believes, a bad one.
"Retirement is simply

another major change in our lives. It can come at any age and for a variety of reasons. Nowadays it can come many times, as people go in and out of paid work. The important thing is not to become a casualty along the way.

Those who may find it most difficult to adjust to change are, he says, those who are addicted to achievement, who feel they are indispensable. Politicians are a prime example and I am seriously thinking of setting up a course for them - such a wonderful challenge, such potential

How Margaret Thatcher will come to terms with a career change depends, says Mr Coleman, on how un-predictable it was, "Involuntary and unpredictable change involves all sorts of grappling with feelings. Negative feelings such as anger and methods of coping with that - whatever each person's method might be, such as heavy smoking or drinking will be seen. Mrs Thatcher may well need to exchange one form of work for another

and throw herself into it." But what? "In general, when workaholics retire they don't do very well if they are single-minded," says Dr Anthony Clare, the psychiatrist. "They tend to take up board appointments and so on but aren't very happy in that. It is hard to see Mrs Thatcher doing that: how could they control

university, which started in September, she might benefit from tackling what Dr Clare sees as her lack of introspection and a certain lack of

Ted Carless, a retirement education from Hightown, Merseyside, stresses the importance of looking inwards when planning retirement or facing a career change. "I offer a selfinventory on my own retirement planning courses," he says. "It forms the basis of a useful sort of meditation and self-knowledge is always.

The self-inventory is based on suggestions made in Making the Best of the Rest of Your Life by Margaret E. Hartford, published in the United States in 1982. It provokes, says Mr Carless, some interesting findings in course members who may have been too busy working to stop to think about

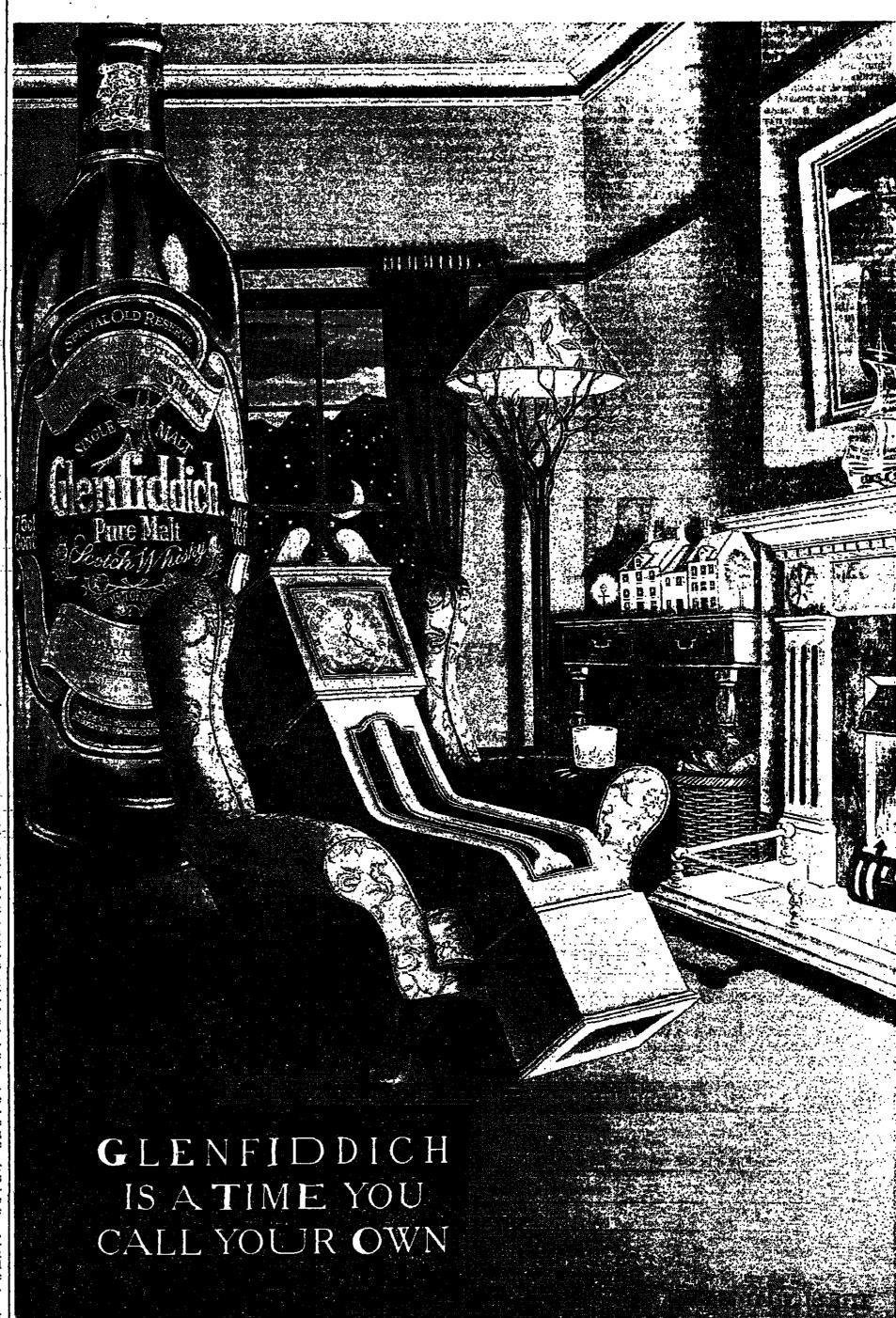
what kind of people they are". Included in a list of ten questions are those that ask the participant to plan adeas happiness and humour, remembering how one dealt with grief and loss and planning ahead to prepare for future examples. members are asked to list their three most important relationships and to say what they are doing to preserve old relation-

ships and to start new ones. Most fascinating is the in-vitation to decide whether one is a risk-taker or not. Depending on whether risks are enjoyed, what steps are being taken to permit or avoid these in the future?

"It would be hard," says Mr Carless, "to adapt Mrs Thatcher's risk-taking capabilities. What would compare with decisions concerning the Falklands or Iraq?"

As for the once-liveried, miserably retired hotel doorman, Mr Coleman reports that the last he heard the hotel had missed him so badly that he was asked back part-time. "He's very happy."

VIVIEN TOMLINSON



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DANCE

First steps towards a fresh start

London Contemporary Dance Theatre is in search of both a new artistic director and a

new relevance, as Debra Craine reports

British arts organisation that runs with a slight surplus, a modern dance company with its own school and theatre, of prime central London real estate: the riches of London Contemporary Dance Theatre are unique in the world. Yet some observers are poised, pen in hand, ready to write its obituary as a progenitor of artistic riches. Having given birth to a generation of new choreographers over the past 20 years, the parent of modern dance in this country has become a dinosaur, threatened with extinction and struggling to re-assert its authority. However, there are signs that the dinosaur is

This week, as LCDT presents its annual London season at Sadler's Wells, its administration is grappling with the problem of how to ensure the company's creative future as it hunts for a new artistic director. This is the second time in two years that the post has been vacant, and this time the board of directors must make the right appointment. It cannot afford to make the same mistake it made last year when it named Dan Wagoner, a reluctant recruit at best, to succeed Robert Cohan, the founding artistic director who retired after two decades. Now, only 18 months after taking over, Wagoner is stepping down to return to New York.

Lackiustre artistic leadership, first during Cohan's final years and then under Wagoner's tenure, has taken its toll. With a few notable exceptions, almost all of the most exciting contemporary choreography being done in Britain today is happening outside its domain. The most distinguished of its alumni, such as Richard Alston and Siobhan Davies, are running other companies, while the younger generation of dancemakers prefer to work on a smaller scale with their own

Years on the treadmill of Arts Council-dictated regional touring have dragged the company down, its artistic thrust compromised by being forced into a mainstream that had LCDT placed in theatres that were too big for its natural

audience and then being told to fill them. Perhaps unsurprisingly, the excitement and risk-taking of its mid-Seventies heyday have lost their edge. Only inspired artistic

leadership can reverse the decline. The man leading the search for a new director is Peter Sarah, a 44vear-old Australian appointed chief executive of Contemporary Dance Trust in August. Sarah is well aware that LCDT is working to a deadline: "To simply continue along the same lines I think could end up being fatal. The challenge is to find an artistic director who has a point of view, who is going to make a bold statement for the Nineties.

"In shorthand, our view is that if it is simply more of the same, or business as usual, I think we will fade, and there is a recognition that if we are to have a role and have a function, and by extension be funded, we need to have a relevance to the Ninetics. And I think we have probably got at the most 18 months to fix that."

inding a director with the right point of view will not be easy. The list of suitable candidates is small, and the fact that most of them are American says something about the impoverished state of mainstream contemporary dance in Britain today. Greater issues are at stake, too: if our system has not produced someone appropriate to lead a large-scale contemporary dance repertory company in the past 20 years, either something is wrong with dance in this country or there is something wrong with the idea of a repertory company.

"One of the challenges is to find the generation of choreographers that in part went unnoticed by us in the Eighties, the generation of choreographers, dancers, designers happy to work within the parameters of a repertory company but at the same time extend it," is Sarah's answer to the problem. "On the other hand," he adds, "we must avoid a choreographic gloss over everything so that at the end of an evening, or at the end of a season, such a wide range of work has been presented that you just don't know what the company stands for."



Returning to Sadler's Wells: Tracey Fitzgerald as Euridice in Orfeo, an Olivier award-winning work by Kim Brandstrup for LCDT

One of the advantages of being a epertory company is being able to showcase the older gems in the repertoire, and Sarah would like to see LCDT dig up some of its buried treasures. "There is a whole body of work now that London audiences have not necessarily

internalising of dance, the rather cool, abstract, minimalist approach has not in fact found a wider audience either regionally or in London."

Sarah believes that "too often contemporary dance turns its back on its audience and doesn't really

LCDT's two-week season at Sadler's Wells, which opens tomorrow, reflects some of the a revival of Paul Taylor's Cloven Kingdom, one of those proven hits

from the "contemporary classics"

that are just about steps."

the Skin, by Jonathan Lunn, LCDT's associate director, who is on the shortlist for Wagoner's job. Despite its artistic uncertainty, London Contemporary claims its audience has grown substantially

with attendances up by 22 per cent over the past 18 months, a result of more varied programming and more aggressive marketing. During the same period, the box-office income has increased by 51 per cent and this year's Sadler's Wells season is reported to be selling about 30 per cent better than last But if such healthy interest is to be sustained, LCDT needs to

non-narrative form, and *Beneath*

redefine its identity as one of this country's national cultural assets. Otherwise, the dinosaur really has had its day.

Theatre opens tomorrow at Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (071-278 8916).

BRIEFING At long last love

THE trek may be coming to an end for the veteran crew members of the Starship Enterprise. Paramount Pictures has declared that the next Star Trek, dut to move into production next year, will be the last big-screen spin-off from the cult television series. The intention, says Leonard Nimoy, portrayer of Mr Spock, is to do "a grand-exit movie" to mark the 25th anniversary in 1991 of the

programme's birth. The celebrations will, be held without Harve Bennett producer of the earlier films, who left the company after creative Enterprise crew came to Paramount preferred to she Spock doing the falling in love.

Table talk

POLITICS can have unexpe ences nonced on Thursday might at the National Theatre p tion of David Edgar's The Shape of the Table. Although the play concerns party politics in Eastern Europe, obvious parallels neiter home were not lost on those

when the one-time St Lutz, asserts that "I'll be dentote but I won't be dumped. I want another job." Later, comments on a political Judas in their midanother character remarks: "Shall we just say that if one's being preyed upon, it's nice to know about it."

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DAME Edna Everage moves a / step closer to beatification. She, or perhaps he, is the subject of two stained-glass windows by Patrick stained glass windows by Parinck Reyntiens which go on show at the Fine Arts Society in New Bond Street today. Reyntigms, who made the haptistry window, in Coventry Cathedral, calls his new piece "Studies for the Apotheosis of Dame Edna". At £20,000, it is the most expensive piece in the exhibition, which also has two windows of Kenneth Branagh as Quince and seven rounders of circus acrobats. The exhibition runs until December 21.

Last chance....

NAPLES has fascinated artists since the Middle Ages, and Vesuvius has been a pet subject ever since the 18th century began to care for the Sublime as well as the Beautiful, A large show in Naples earlier this year covered the whole story. The slimmed-down version at the Accademia Italiana (071-225 3474) confines itself largely to the responses of Italian and British artists, and includes works by Wright of Derby, whose own retrospective had pre-empted Naples. A show full of elegance and drama, it closes tomorrow...

Let us find choreographers who offer us red-blooded choreography that is about emotions and life and relationships'

seen - Graham, Limon, Tharp, Taylor — that is there available to be seen. I think the danger is that we simply can't afford to be seen as an interesting museum compresenting proven

Listening to the customer is also a new priority, with the knowledge

that the Eighties vogue for "the

listen to an audience that is... informed and loyal. People are looking for something that is bold and theatrical, ultimately, at the end of the evening, some choreography that is life-enhancing. Let us red-blooded choreography that

repertoire. There is also the recent Olivier award-winning Orfeo, Kim Brandstrup's retelling of the Greek legend of Ornheus and Euridice in the manner of baroque opera. New works include White whose previous choreographic is about emotions and life and contributions have proved popurelationships, as opposed to works lar with audiences despite their

Musical feast without the dressing

asked, without pictures or confrontations? A great deal, as it turns out, for that most irrational of entertainments has of late found new raison d'être in a form without sets, costumes or any physical ac-tion save that of the baton and

the exchanged glance.
The flood tide of opera audiences has spilled over into the

Glyndebourne performance at the Proms, and the work of indefatigable companies such as the Chelsea Opera Group, have created an addiction for

lined up for tonight, but the company lost its baritone and was forced to substitute the quasi-operatic Rossini Stabat

The LPO, which has already set its precedent in memorable presentations of Figure, Messiaen's St Francis of Assisi, Porgy and Bess and Jenufa, and which has Tippett's New Year ready for February next year, is investing in the idea. John Willan welcomes the chance to provide, within the forthcoming South Bank residency, a new environment, a new, complimentary perspective for opera. He is looking ahead to annual showcases and to a possible Rheingold with Tennstedt, and a Tristan und Isolde with Welser-Möst. Gary Brown's Opera in

Concert company, in turn, means to invite a wide variety of orchestras for an eventual programme of six operas a year, with international principals and young British soloists. Future plans include a Nabucco in May with Julia Varady and L'elisir d'amore next July

hat is the use of an opera, Alice in Wonderland may have The trend towards presenting opera in concert is growing says Hilary Finch concert is growing, says Hilary Finch

> mad extraordinary to put down a few roots and focus his heterodox interests and hitherto diffused career. The decade from 1976 saw him as pianist and conductor of the Koenig Ensemble, a high spir-ited group-renowned for in-ventive South Bank pro-

Since 1980, Britain has encountered him mainly through recordings (a cycle of Kurt Weill operas is under way), at a rigorously conducted Tosca at the English National Opera in 1987, and, most memorably, in an ac-claimed performance of Peter Maxwell Davies's Second Sym- ny's five guest conductors to

Festival-goers will have come across him in venues as far apart as Montepulciano (four years on the committee), in Denmark, Sweden, the Florence Maggio Musicale, and at an extraordinary lake-side production of *The Turn of* the Screw in Torre del Lago in 1986. This cosmopolitan apprenticeship is beginning to find its own focus. After seeing his Manon in Macerata in 1987, the Vienna State Opera invited him to make his debut with the company a year later in Macbeth. Now, he has been

chosen as one of the compa-

phony in London last April.

work on productions such as Sanson, Ballo, Traviata and Nabucco up until 1993.

Latham-Koenig, whose exacting work in core classical repertoire with his handpicked Orquestra do Porto has fired him to complement his operatic work with more intensive symphonic training, looks forward to renewing his contacts with British or-chestras. In January, a pro-gramme of Wagner, Brahms and Mozart with the Hallé just happens to coincide with the start of a year in which that orchestra's search for a new principal conductor will be gathering momentum;

Opera in Concert presents the Rossini Stabat Mater at the Festival Hall (071-928 8800) tonight at 7.30pm.

concert hall, and the public, it seems, is as hungry for concert performances of opera as it is for pursuing the scent of greasepaint. The annual tradition of a

close focus, cut-price opera. This is being exploited by orchestras keen to surface from the pit, and by a newly formed company, Opera in Concert.

Aficionados of the genre will remember a Giovanna d'Arco with Margaret Price last year. A concert performance of Simon Boccanegra with the London Philharmonic was

with the Hanover Band. For Jan Latham-Koenig conducting tonight, this development could well persuade

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seen in Fueland but along the sel and cuickweed.

up like foreigners, all starving.

Quite who the starving for-

eigners were, or why their hunger derived from an inability to sing "Land of Hope and Glory", was never explained by a programme

which did, however, manage to

raise some intriguing issues of musical jingoism. Clearly inspired

by this year's Proms rumpus when Mark Elder was summarily re-

moved from the restrum for deciding that the singing of "Land of Hope and Glory" would be unsuitable in a Gulf crass, Every-

man found a vicar who worried

about whether, in the wake of the

Spycatcher affair, we were still the "mother of the free", but the

conclusion was that, on balance the songwriting team of Edward Elgar and A.C. Benson had come

up with a permanent top of the pops. "It will knock 'em flat", said

Elgar at the time of its writing,

thereby establishing a claim to be

an early master of tabloid musical

evening, continues to establish House of Cards as the most fortuitously topical political thriller in

recent memory, ITV has gone back 60 years to R.F. Delderfield's

Come Home Chartie and Face

Them, a three-part drama of the

A decade or two after his death,

and 40 years after his novels were

all the rage at Boots Lending

Libraries, Delderfield continues to

prove an ideal television play-

wright. He wrote long books in

which not a lot happens slowly,

allowing the viewer not just to make an occasional phone call but

read all the Sunday papers while

Period detail is often all that

matters: London Weekend has

been at the Unstairs. Downstairs

game for too many years now not

to have all the right antimacassars in place. Never mind the rimal

plot about the upwardly mobile bank clerk and the exotic older

woman, just look at the way the wallpaper has been hung with all its patterns authentically clashin Tom Radcliffe is here giving what

would once have been the Albert Finney or Tom Courtenay perfor-

mance of angry deprivation, and the ghosts of Rachel Roberts and

Simone Signoret are all over town.

LATER on ITV, the South Bank

keeping an eye on proceedings.

Depression in a Welsh town.

While BBC I, earlier in the

TELEVISION



Newcomers, pygmies and giants

A qualified positive reaction, sorting the best from the rest of the 200 films in the crowded

fortnight of the 1990 London Film Festival, from the understandably jaded Geoff Brown

an it be only two weeks since a Country and Western group called the Tex Pistols launched the London Film Festival by assaulting our eardrams at the screening of Texasville? It seems like another age. Since then, some 200 movies have coursed through the projectors at 15 different venues. The trees are barer, the nights shorter; a prime minister has even

But has the cinematic firma-ment altered? Are new lights blazing alongside the fixed stars of the past? The festival revealed the odd twinkle of new talent and dog up a forgotten one: E.A. Dupont His silent classic Moulin Rouge provided rich enjoyment, matched to Mike Westbrook's new score.

Another veteran showed his hand in the festival's last days. The initial moments of Satyajit Ray's Branches of the Tree - a festival world premiere - were most discouraging static interior shots, choked with indigestible talk between a proud Bengali paterfamilies and his mentally unstable son. Yet, once other family members arrived for the

'Gorbachev's Soviet Union has never seemed so chaotic: a whirlpool of eccentrics.

dreamers and strong-arm survivors from the authoritarian past.'

man's seventieth birthday, and were forced to stay put after he suffered a heart attack, the film gained enormously in fluidity.

Ray wrote the original script 25 years ago. He claims the heart attack element is in no way autobiographical - Ray himself was laid up through much of the Eighties with cardiac trouble though his personal experiences clearly helped him give the film such a strong emotional force.

Ray's theme is the nobility and sadness of life: the poison of corruption, and the consolation of art (particularly classical music: the anstable son's one pleasure). A few harangues apart, the acting flows with grace and fine shadings;

the dry theatrical tone that ham-pered Ray's recent films has B. Armstrong's debut film: One vanished. Ray is also beginning to take his camera outdoors again: towards the end, the younger generations gather at a riverside picnic for a delicious scene of family chatter and Bengali tongueable - a baseball player, fading fast, strikes up a friendship with a new black pitcher - but the direc-

Branches of the Tree will surely find a home with some British distributor. Pavel Lounguine's Taxi Blues – a Soviet-French venture - is another strong con-tender for adoption. The film drags its feet occasionally, though the longueurs are outweighed by the vivid portrait of Moscow lowlife and Piotr Zaitchenko's virile performance as a no-nonsense taxi driver determined to extract his

Taxi Blues sits on the screen with aplomb: the camera revels in the night illuminations, the furious pursuits down alleys and streets; while the use of direct sound adds extra immediacy. Gorbachev's Soviet Union has never seemed so chaotic - a whirlpool of eccentrics, dreamers, and strong arm survivors from the country's authoritarian past.

Film festivals pride themselves on collecting directors' first fea-tures. Pavel Lounguine came to Taxi Blues after long years hidden from view as a scriptwriter; Marie-France Pisier arrived at The Governor's Party following acting roles in modern French classics by Truffaut and Rivette and a spattering of Hollywood trash. Her directorial fling—an attractive, confident piece—draws on her own upbringing in New Caledonia: the heroine, played by Vanessa Wagner, is a teenage girl pressing through the own of femily passing through the eye of a family storm as the colony advances towards semi-independence (the time is 1957).

Pisier's camera shares the nervous energy of her characters: the film races forward, briskly sketching in the colonial backdrop behind the main business of adolescent panes and a wife's infidelities. The Governor's Party, which was first developed by Pisier as a novel, plumbs no depths, but it skims its surface

After the deluge of the last few years another baseball movie would seem as much in demand as a remake of Mrs Miniver. Yet room must be found for Robert

but - bears all the outward signs of the average low-budget road Cup of Coffee hugs its characters with the kind of tender care rarely movie. Four young people driving south on a spree pick up a beautiful hitch-hiker. The road witnessed in current films. The story's framework is unremarkthen takes a bizarre turn.

tor, cast and acriptwriter (D.M.

Eyre, Jr) enrich the situations with

bus breaks down and must be

poshed. A grandiose ending blows

the intimate atmosphere off-

course; but no matter: the film

John Feldman's Alligator

Eyes - another promising de-

remains something to treasure.

rere is a team at the

bottom of the minor

league: the manager

doubles as hot-dog

salesman; the team

delicacy and humour.

The hiker has been blind since the age of two, when her parents were murdered; she talks in poetic terms about alligators and Allantis, and bends her companious to her own mysterious will. By rights, this functful tale should not work yet Feldman wields such control over the shifting moods that the spell lasts almost as long

The players - fresh faces all take everything in their stride, from rhapsodic musings ("What does it sound like before the rains start?") to jokes about Stevie

Heading closer to the Hollywood mainstream, we find James Foley's After Dark, My Sweet; a strongly textured adaptation of a 1955 thriller by cult novelist Jim Thompson. This is jagged, nervous film-making: menace and mystery pursue every step of the tormented hero Collie, a former boxer and mental patient who wanders into a kidnapping plot in

a bedraggled desert town.

Jason Patric's excellent performance as Collie is balanced by a deplorable one from Rachel Ward, though even her flat English vowels cannot shatter the authentic Thompson mood of bleak spair and perversity.

Compared to this, Stephen Frears' version of another Thompson novel, The Grifters, hobbles along from one broken-backed about a clutch of con artists in the Mob's shadow - fails to take root, even with Anjelica Huston firing on all cylinders in snow-white hair. This is Frears's first American-made feature: he was plainly entranced by the Los Angeles locations, but the awestruck visual

endemic to film festivals, particularly one as sprawing as London's, Faced with a schedule where one film often clashes with two others, one must dive in and take pot luck. My pot luck, at least, produced quite a few pleasures, a pocketful of duds, but no abject

Jingo's jingle judged IN TIMES of political upheaval or national crisis, it is always best to

retreat to the Albert Hall: there, as the returning Everyman discovered last night for BBC 1, is a sheen only pushes the film's resident ex-army usher in no temperature towards zero. doubt as to his patriotic priorities. Disappointments, however, are Come Christmas, he said, every year the Duchess of Kent sits on the stage surrounded by hundreds of very small children. If that is not "Land of Hope and Glory", he further averred, then he did not know what was. Certainly it separates the British from other nations: without songs like that, reckons the usher, we would end

Two cardinal laws are worth remembering for the future. One: nothing is ever as marvellous as the festival booklet says it is. Two: when watching a subtitled film, the seat in front will always be occupied by a giant with fuzzy



Vivid portrait of Moscow lowlife: Pavel Loungnine's Taxi Blues, shown at the festival, is a powerful candidate for UK distribution

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Will a 'diminished' LSO be left out in the cold?

he Arts Council meets of Richard Morrison on an apparent funding crisis at one of London's major orchestras Wednesday for a crucia discussion of its future role, to a newly constituted London and it will also have to weigh a dramatic appeal from a major arts

organisation desperate to avoid "delegation" of its public funding to a regional arts board. Following the letter to The Times on Saturday from the heads of four English regional orchestras, stating their argument for continuing as Arts Council clients, the London Symphony

Orchestra has painted a gloomy picture of what it considers would be its "diminished international status" if its funding is devolved

Two opera houses and two theatre companies have been chosen as national flagships, but no symphony orchestra," says Clive

Gillinson, the LSO's managing director. "That effectively demotes the status of symphonic music in this country, and has very destructive implications for its future." Gilfinson has written a letter of

protest to the Arts Council's music director. The LSO's concerns are

focused on four areas. First, it fears that its international status (recently boosted when it was chosen to replace the Berlin Philharmonic at the Salzburg Whitsin Festival) will be jeopardized if top soloists and conductors become aware that the LSO is being delegated. "It is vital that top artists perceive the LSO as an international ensemble," Gillinson says, "because in Britain we are already asking them to accept fees far lower than elsewhere."

Second, the LSO maintains that

if it is delegated its Barbican concerts will not be able to compete on a fair footing with the South Bank, which has been deemed a "flagship" and will

remain centrally funded.
Third, the LSO's funding comprises a complex mixture of Arts Council and Corporation of London money, which took several years to negotiate. The orchestra believes that delegation would mean that all these negotiations would have to begin again.

the new London Arts Board. The LSO thinks it "highly improbable" that this board will have the necessary expertise to assess its work, and that it may place different obligations on the orchestra. "They could decide, for instance, that access is the most important factor, rather than qual-" Gillinson says.

Underlying the LSO's protest is undoubtedly a feeling of betrayal. Until the devolution plan emerged, it had seemed to have won a

unique security among the London orchestras: good funding by the City of London, matched pound for pound by the Arts Council. With this basis it could operate a risky but spectacular policy of booking top-rank soloists Rostropovich and Anne-Sophie Mutter have both had major LSO festivals) and winning lucrative sponsorship to pay for them. This glamorous strategy is what the LSO considers to be under threat.

The Arts Council, however must decide whether the LSO, for all its long history and international standing, is really a special case.

Smoking joker: Denis Leary

Show about Alan Parker neatly illustrated the strengths and weaknesses of the director profile. If one is going to spend several months following a film-maker around his own childhood and professional locations, then one is clearly not going to choose a rubbishy one, and there is no doubt that Parker deserves SBS attention. A flamboyant and fluent self-expressionist, he took a brisk look back at his childhood roots in Ishngton and decided there was no call there for nostalgia. A brisk chronology estab-lished that all Parker's films since his early and superb television commercial parodies of Brief Encounter and A Night to Remember have to do with personal perceptions, usually of a world which he has been viewing from an Odeon.

If it was to avoid being no more than an extended trailer for Parker's new and superlative Come See the Paradise, about the United States' treatment of their Japanese population in the wake of Pearl Harbor, then the South Bank Show needed to find a Parker critic, and Geoff Andrew was allowed too little time to develop the case for the opposition, based as this is on charges of distortion and trivialisation.

SHERIDAN MORLEY

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"I was too feeble to hold a

book but I could recite to myself and it kept up my morale and speeded my recovery. Left to myself I could barely think straight; but I had for company the Bible, Shakespeare, Donne, Shelley, Jane Austen, Tennyson, Yeats, Brooke and too many others to count."



How meningitis brought home to novelist Sarah Neilan the priceless benefits of learning by heart

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CABARET Ouick-fire with a smoke screen

Finally, there are worries over

Denis Leary, the stand-up comedian who makes light of smoking and is short-listed for a controversial prize, talks to Stephanie Billen

hat do you get when you cross an American cigar-V ette company with a comedian whose show is called No Cure for Cancer? The American stand-up comic Denis Leary is still trying to work it out.

As andiences at the Bloomsbury Theatre, London, will discover, Leary is obsessed with the weed. On BBC's Paramount City earlier this year he was known as "The Sinoking Man". But Leary is also obsessed with the gory after-effects. He advocates people interesting expects thought their. contracting cancer through their own actions, as opposed to falling victim to a pollution-induced

All of which would seen strange material for a cigarette company to endorse. Yet Leary is on a shortlist of two for top prize in the Merit competition for the best upand-coming comic in America.

He was a sell-out on the Edinburgh Fringe this year and is doing nicely on cable television in his own country. His first album, Shot the Kennedys, was a hit, and his Bloomsbury gig is to be filmed for America's Showtime TV company. Still, he doubts if he will win

He sees his nomination as a cute idea which is now regretted, and says: "We did this abow in Los Angeles for the finalists, and this gry from Merit actually asked me forehand if I'd mind not smok-

"Then he started saying: "We had a meeting and we thought it might be better for the image... I mean, you're a funny guy, you've got other material. Then another y comes up and says: 'It's all int, I was at that meeting and we thought we'd just suggest it to you, and you could make up your own mind.' I said I could never pass this up, it was the perfect opportunity to do my cancer and smoking stuff - sponsored by a cigarette

company with a huge cigarette pack behind me on the stage. "When I came off, the guy says: finds little distasteful himself, except perhaps blandness: "There are so many people doing comedy in America now because they Tjust want you to understand that it will be very difficult for us, if learnt a formula. They are not you are just going to do cancer stuff, to make you the Merit funny people and they have nothing funny to say. They just wear a thin little tie and roll up the Leary tells the tale with relish. sleeves of their jackets and come chewing savagely on a piece of green bubble gum, introduced to his mouth after the obligatory out and talk about how women go

couple of fags. He believes our universal fear of cancer justifies his deranged monologue, the jokes about the disease and even about those celebrities who have suffered from it. He claims to suffer few ill-effects. "I have the occasional

numbness in the left arm, a little bit of chest pain, heart spasms, but no coughing, no. Nothing serious." he says.

On stage he waxes lyrical about the fetishistic pleasure of the nicotine drag, which he likens to breast-feeding. Other drugs have never had the same appeal for him. Nevertheless, he believes all drugs should be legalised: "Then everyone would be uninterested."

eary delights in being controversial. In America, where he is part of the Big Apple's new wave of comics (once nicknamed The Dirty Dozen), he usually has a good few Kennedy jokes. He was banned from performing in Boston, where he comes from, after a show in which demonstration of Kennedy supporters had to be broken up by police. A member of the family was said to be there.

In London, Leary and a band called The Few will make sure they perform a song about the clan well as ditties about cancer ("The Downtrodden Song"), and about "saving" - as in saving the whale, ozone layer and rainforest. He offends many people but shopping and men are sloppy. I find that kind of comedy really

No Cure for Cancer is at the Bloomshury Theatre, Gordon Street, London WC1 (071-387 9629) from tonight to Saturday, December 1



Helene Schjerfbeck: Alarm. Signed with initials Oil on cantras. Estimate: £600,000-800,000

THIS powerful picture is a masterpiece by ine Finnish painter Helene Schjersbeck (1862-1946) Painted circa 1935-36, it captures a moment when the artist spotted two neighbours alarmed by a fire in her home village Ekenäs. The bold lines and composition are typical of the artist's individual style, but the use of more than one figure is rare in her work. Owned by the film star Ingrid Bergman, the picture is included in the sale of Important Scandinavian Pictures. Watercolours and Sculpture at Christie's, King Street on Thursday, 29 November at 7.00 p.m. For further information on this and other sales in the next week, please telephone

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Politics of sheep and tear gas

THEATRE The Winter's Tale/ Coriolanus Royal, Plymouth

NEITHER Michael Bogdanov's rough, obstreperous style nor his relentless search for contemporary relevance at the occasional expense of artistic coherence seem obviously suited to a text such as The Winter's Tale. Even for him, it is quite an achievement to have located the politics of sheepshearing as one of this play's major themes.

As it turns out, the pastoral business of the fourth act works notably better than the courtly goings-on. There is an audible sigh of relief when Bernard Lloyd's Shepherd and Charles Dale's Clown come on as a pair of mid-Welsh hill farmers. At least we know who they are, unlike the Sicilian courtiers, who, changing restlessly and without motivation into différent kinds of formal sear. appear variously as mafiosi and the men in grey suits allegedly responsible for Mrs Thatcher's

It is the men in white coats who seem called for in the case of Michael Pennington's deeply paranoid Leontes. Pennington solves the notorious problem of the suddenness of the onset of jealousy by looking ripe for a breakdown from the start. There are mesmerising touches - the slow inclination of his head towards Hermione and Polixenes, the strangulated delivery of "not for joy, not joy" - but in the end the performance seemed too introverted, the character too detached from his context. The fact that we have never seen a sane Leontes makes his eventual recovery hardto credit.

Lynn Farleigh's Hermione casts

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Coriolasms in Eastern Europe: citizens protest before riot police move in with truncheons and shields

a glow of warm allure, not just injured dignity, into the draughty spaces of Chris Dyer's cold, bare set. But this is a production in which too many of the players behave like statues throughout. James Hayes's witty Irish Autolvcus (or Ort O'Lykus), particularly funny as a pseudo-courtier, shines amid much drabness.

From one of Shakespeare's least political plays to his greatest essay on politics, both performed here by the English Shakespeare Company. This Coriolanus begins in Eastern Europe: bobble-hatted, anorak-clad protesters (including one resembling the young Lech Walesa) gather beneath a banner saying "democratie" in Solidarnosc lettering. There are police announcements and tear gas, and the riot squad move in with shields and truncheons.

this seems like last year's, or the last decade's, news. Worse still, the play has to start all over again, because the Rome of Coriolanus is not Poland or anywhere else. It is not a democracy, to be sure, but neither is it a totalitarian tyranny. Shakespeare chose a specific, sophisticated model in order to

demonstrate his bleak vision of

the self-destructiveness of the

martial hero, the infirmity of

rabble-rousing populism and the

ultimate meanness of Machiavellian *realpolitik*. None of these comes through half as clearly in this confused production as they did in Terry Hands's lucid, gripping version for the RSC last year. Michael Penningion makes a rebarbative

protagonist complete with Oswald

Mosley moustache; a character

Not only is the shock effect nil; whose distaste for the mob stems from prejudice, not first-hand experience. He and the production are not belped by having the seige of Corioles - a key incident, however hard to stage - related (in a bored monotone by Andrew Jarvis's Aufidius) rather than acted out. This signals a pervasive lack of action and excitement.

The big set pieces such as Coriolanus's election and the tribune's rousing of the people are played as public meetings with microphones and actors in the audience - and generate all the voltage of a dull day at the Liberal Democrats' conference. At least with Volumnia's intercession June Watson finds the fire she lacked early on as a Tunbridge Wells Tory matron.

HARRY EYRES

Under Roger Norrington the secreted himself in the body of the Players breathe the vital spark into every phrase. The experience is almost sensuous: certainly it provokes a physical response in many members of the audience, to judge by the head-jigging and foot-

DEVOTEES of the London Classical Players by now have a Few ensembles derive such good idea what to expect, esvisible delight from each other's pecially in a programme of Mozart music-making, and that respon-siveness is enhanced by the spatial and Beethoven. Yet the wonder is that an LCP performance is never disposition of the orchestra, with predictable: indeed, a familiar not only violins but also basses repertory piece such as Beethoand brass divided across the stage. ven's Second Symphony in D The arrangement for a Mozart concerto (K_503 in C major) was major is likely to emerge with all the freshness and spontaneity of a different again. For this, Norring-

orchestra, conducting from his now-famous swivel chair, presenting his back or side to a substantial number of the string players. The spothight was thus thrown on the soloist, Melvyn Tan, centrally placed. But given Norrington's characteristically extravagant gestures and high interpretative profile, his presence could not be disguised for long.

With Norrington in partnership with Tan - another highly visual performer - there is little risk of the cult of personality being submerged in the name of "authenticity". But who could complain when the result is so electrifying? Tan penetrates the

inner life of every melodic line, and the intensity of his experience sweeps the listener - or rather observer - away with him. He, too, engages with the other members of the ensemble to a high degree. The interaction is less rhetorical than in the Beethoven symphony, more in the way of dialogue, and it positively enhances one's appreciation of the music to see him responding first to an oboe and then to a finte.....

What makes a Norrington/Tan/ LCP concert so exhibitating is the sheer physicality of their musicmaking. If a head podding is seen, it will be in time with the music.



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ton abandoned the prayer-mat he

used for the other items, and

The Sisters of Mercy Wembley Arena

LIVE performance is not Andrew Eldritch's forte, which is one reason why he has held himself aloof from the touring circus for more than five years. Yet his potency as a godhead of the gothmovement has, if anything, been enhanced by this absence, and a vast throng of pale creatures, their fashion sense located at the point where punk meets vamp, slouched towards Wembley, their hour come round at last.

These uniformly black-clad worshippers were greeted by a gloomy stage festooned with battleship chains and already filling up with gusting clouds of dry ice. As darkness fell a deep rumbling sound and an angry throbbing redness signalled the arrival of five shadowy figures who quickly locked into the mordant chug of "First and Last" and Always". A ruthless manipulator of image

and events. Eléritch has adopted a policy of constantly upgrading the personnel in his group, and this was the first opportunity in Eng-land to see the latest Sisters Of impressive on paper, with names such as Tony James (ex-Sigue Sigue Sputnik supremo), Tim Bricheno (ex-All About Eve guitarist) and Dan Donovan (ex-Big Audio Dynamite keyboard player); but in practice the unit and subjected to a virtually identi-

failed to gel.

There was no drummer, Eldritch preferring as ever to entrust the beat to his redoubtable drum machine, Doktor Avalanche. But despite notable contributions from guitarist Andreas Bruhn, the group had a negligible stage presence and was unable to counteract the deadeningly mechanistic feel

of this pre-programmed element. Given an adequate but unimaginative light show, all was thus heaped on the fragile shoulders of black jeans, intoning his dark lyncs in a barntone that echoed like a moan from the crypt. There seemed to be a prepon- DAVID SINCLAIR

BARRY MILLINGTON derance of very old material, although most of the excellent new album, Vision Thing, had been dispatched in bits and bobs by the end. There was also a marked lack sound and in the glowering intensity of the group's performance, such that all the songs, from the galloping hauteur of "Dominion" to the wracked desnair of "Ribbons", were stripped of nuance

cal monotone delivery.
Only the acoustic guitar-dominated "Something Fast" escaped this fate, while a cover of the Rolling Stones' "Gimme Shelter" and a preposterous rendering of Dolly Parton's "Jolene" simply sank into the aural mire.

Eldritch bad clearly planned his campaign with care, but five years is a long time to be cocooned in the controlled environments of the recording studio and the video shoot. In seeking to cope with the Edirich; who scowled miserably cavernous reality of Wenbley, the as he stalked the stage in his ripped band failed to bring its baunting. music fully to hie or to sustain its unique aura of mystery.

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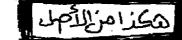
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6.30 BBC Breakfast News with Nicholas Mitchell and Jill Dando 8.50 Daytime UK. Alan Trichmarsh and Judi Spiers in Birmingham and Adrien Mills in Manchester present the daytime line-up, with contributions from BBC centres across the country 9.00 News, regional news and weather 9.05 Brainwave. Ouiz hosted by Andy

Craig 9.25 Dish of the Day. nary Moon with more culinary tina 9.30 People Today. Adrian Mills and Debi Jones view the fives of people across the UK. Ronke Philips and the Open Line team tackle viewers' questions and Leila Artken presents her weekly

flower-arranging teature News, regarded news and weather
10.05 Children's BBC introduced by
Simon Parkin begins with Playdays
10.25 Pingu 10.35 People Today includes the Kitchen Call chane in News, regional news and weather 11.05 Kilroy, Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a discussion on green issues 11.45

Betore Noon, Alan Titchmersh and Judi Spiers continue the phone in and event the winner of the day's quiz 12.00 N ws, regional news and we 12.05 After Noon: Antiques Roadshow Gems. Hugh Scutly introduces chos tuning a variety of metal objects that have brought surprise and pleasure 12.20 Scene Today. The daily entertainment programme from Pebble Mill 12.55 Regional news and

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton, Westher 1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) 1.50 Going for Gold, European quiz show host

Henry Kelly
2.15 Shooker, Action from the fifth round of the Stomeral UK championship at the Guild Hall, Preston.

3.25 Hudson and Hells. The camp Kiwis, Pater and David, are joined by achiess Jill Gascone to create Chinese

3.50 Firemen Sem. Certoon narrated by John Alderton 4.00 A Sear Behind, With Lindsey Coulson and Bit Walks 4,10 The New York Bear Show (r) 4.20 Happy Families. Comedy sense featuring the card game characters

4.36 Thundercats. Cartoon
4.36 Newsround 5.06 Blue Peter, Stive Cram joins John Leelle for a helicopter-trip round Britain as they make a whistle-stop tour plainting seedings for National Tree Week, (Gestac), 5.35 Neighbours (f), (Cestac), Northern Ireland Sportswide 5.40 Inside Uister 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Storms and Morra Stuart, Weelther a en Constraint Management Cram joins John Leslie for a helicopter

Sissons and Mora States, vicestander, 6.30 Regional News Magazines.
Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Woğan, Terry is joined by Citi's Richard, among others.
7.30 Welchodg, Lynn Faulds Woods and John Stapleton present another edition of the commerce magazine. This of the consumer magazine. This week's edition includes advice for sepiring models and a report on the controversal decisions of a file controversial decisions or a tire insurance company which have resulted in families not receiving the its expected following the ...

8.00 Tally Addicts. The first of two semifinals of the television programme age quiz

-8.30 Keeping Up Appearances. Roy Clarke's stoom about Hyacinth Bucket, social climber and unabashed snob, ies too much on its single joke and a delicious performence by Patricia Routledge But like Clerke's Last of the Summer Wine, much of the pleasure. comes from the reworking of familiar routines. Tonight Hyacinth's buffet, function at the church half is threefer with dissister when her sister, Daisy, plans to grate her busband's dormant nons: (Ceetax) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael

Buerk, Regional news and weather 9.30 Panorama: Who Will the Tones Choose? Devid Ombleby assesses the chances of the three contenders for the Conservative party leadership 10.10 Mancuso FBI: Kins the Girls and Make Them Die. Mancusches the

Make Them Die. Mancuso has the difficult job of proving a friend innocent of murder white also working undercover in an attempt to smesh a major drugs ring Stermig Robert Loggia and Lindsay Frest. Northern telend:

Growing Freedom 10.35 Ulster in Focus 11.00 rejoins network 10.55 Snooker. David Vine introduces the

final hames from two lifth round matches in the UK championship Advice Shop. Helen Madden and Carmen Pryce introduce the consumer macazine. As trade barriers come en all over Europe in the run up to-1992, the programme asks whether employees will benefit from improved conditions, hours and pay (r) sm Weather 12.25an

SECOND SECOND

9.25 Keynotes. Alistair Divel hosts the musical quiz game 9.55 Themes News 10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Mice Scott chairs a discussion on Down's

10.40 This Morning. Family focused 12.05 Rosie and Jim 12.25 Home and Away 12:55 Themes News and 1.00 News at One and weather

6.00 TV-em

1.20 Themes Help, Jackie Spreckey and John Mutray preview this week's Themes Help 1.50 A Coursey 2.20 Magnum. Unremarkable privi

detective series set in Heweii 3.15 ITN News headings 3.20 Themes News comes 3.25 Families 3.55 Bugs Burrry and Friends (r) 4.20 The Scoty Snow 4.45 Count Duckule

5.10 Who's the Boss? American silcom 5.40 News and weather 5.55 Thames Help 6.00 Holme And Away (r)

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7.00 The Krypton Factor. Gordon Burns
introduces the final of the testing brain
and brawn competition. (Oracle) 7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)
8.00 Freddie And Max. Cornedy series starring Anne Bencroft and Charlotte

8.30 Why Lockerbie?

© CHOICE: The crux of this dramatic reconstruction of events leading up the Lockerbie tragedy is that it might have been avoided had Pan Am been more serious about security. The film suggests that in launching a new



othy West as Colonel Wood (8.30mm) ive in 1986 the airline was as much concerned with a public relations ricina to recover business lost. after the bombing of Libys as with the safety of passengers. In the words secribed to the British security expert Optonel Wood (Timothy West), "No one cares as long as the money and the planes take off on time."
Why Lockerbe? is a collaboration between Granada Television's ey rolls in propology producer, Leslie adhead, and Michael Eston who te Shoot To Kill. Smoothly wrote Shoot To Kill. Smoothly intervediving the Pan-Arm story with that of Palestinian terrorists plotting a strike against the United States, the film sets up a gripping nametive. But despite "extensive research". It

cannot claim to have all the answers. 10.00 News at Ten and weather 10.30 Thanies News and weather 10.40 Alds Update 90. A review of the est facts and figures about Aids in

association with the Sureau of Hygene and Tropical Diseases. The series is being transmitted on five consecutive rights as a prelude to Nortd Aids Day 10.50 Thames Reports Special: The

Leadership. One third of all Tory MPs voting in tomorrow's leadership heliot come from London and the Home Counties. Thames Television has invited a group of them to discuss the

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Deho lights Thunder Aryels of Ghans for featherweight title at York Hall, Bethnal Green Presented by Tony Francis with commentary by Reg Gutteridge

and Perry McGulgan 12.50em Sportsworld Extra. Darts stars Enc Bristow and Jockey Wilson meet in this special best-of-31 legs match, for a prize of £3,000 1.50 World Chees. The Times chees correspondent Raymond Keene presents news of the second leg of

the Kasperov v Karpov world chemproners metch. Also the latest action from the 29th Chass Olympiad in 2.05 Firm: Deadly Bleasing (1981). Jim Schmidt (Jeff East) clehes the religi sect that dominates his small es the religious Pennsylvenen town and marries a city girl. On the right of their first

wedding anniversary, he is found crushed by his tractor leaving his wife and her two gritnends at the mercy of an evil force. A fest-moving horror film from Wes Craven, director of Shocker, that covers its

impleus/Billites by piling fright upon fright. With Emest Borgine. 4.00 American College Football. Texas pleys Texas Tech 5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends at 6.00

BBC 2

8.00 News ter. A roundup of business in both House 8.30 Daytime on Two begins with an item on the environmental damage caused by visitors to the countryside and includes 10,18 A musical version of the

story of Cinderalis 11.00 Comparing maps and landscapes 11.35 A apanese system for piping sunshine into window less rooms 1.40 A summer camp in Russia for environmentally aware American and European children

2.00 News and weather followed by Storytime (r) 2.15 Songs of Praise from the Glasgow Art Gallery and Museum (r). (Cestax) 2.50 Behind the Screen. The week's snooker coverage is examined by Fiona Adam 3.00 News and weather followed by The Home Front: Whose Green and

ant Land? Patrick Nuttgens looks at commuter belt housing in the Thames valley (r) 3.45 A Day in the Life of an environmentally sound pop group (r). (Ceetax) 4.00 Catchword. Qutz game 4.30 Behind the Headlines. Jane Corbin and her guests discuss the end of the cold war and whether the West is

now propping up a system it fried so long to destroy 5.00 Look, Stranger. A look at the work of Malcolm Appleby at a derelict railway

station (r). 5.20 The Travel Show Guides to the islands of Malta and Gozp (r). (Ceefax) 5.50 DEF II: New Artitude. Yvonne and Vicky are voted Ebony magazine's "Most Eligible Bachelorettes", which means an unusual might out for Yvonne 6.15 Dance Energy. With the Pet ... Shop Boys and an interview with Nigel

Benn 6.55 Snooker: UK Chempionships from

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Fighting off Aide: John Browning (7.25pm)

7.25 Open Space: Dealing with the CHOICE: The beast is Aids, John Browning does not have it, but he was diagnosed as HIV positive back in coordinator for the Citizens Advice Bureaux and his film attempts an upbeat antidate to views of the epidemic which stress dying and death. Inviting us to follow him through a typical day, Browning starts with press-ups in his north London council flat, takes a bicycle ride to the office, has lunch with Mergaret Jay, director of the National Aids Trust, and presides over an HIV training course. A drink in the pub with Iriends rounds off the message of the piece, which is about being positive and leading a normal life in the face of fear, illness and uncertainty. Browning's style is matey and relaxed but does not prevent him stopping in a warring that the next big challenge for the community services will be dealing with the spread of the virus into

Tastes of Wales 7.55 Prisoners of Conscience. In the first of the new senes highlighting the plight of political detainess, the opera. singer Jessye Norman draws attention to the practice of repressive regimes in Latin America, Africa and South East · Asia of malong people "disappear".

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8.00 Abroad in Britain, Visiting Aldershot and Camberley, the acerbic Jonathan Meades looks at army architecture A 30 Nature: Medily Madne

 CHOICE: in another of its punchy reports on environm Mari dile Nature visits California where the multi-billion dollar fruit and vecetable ndustry is under threat from a small but destructive pest called the Mediterranean fruit fly Farmers have responded with a two-pronged counter ettack. They are spraying with pesticides and releasing sterile male fles in the hope of preventing further reproduction. The main past melathion, no stranger to British gardeners but a different proposition when spread in large quantities from dents claim it is f helicoptera. Local re danger to health, citing red eyes, breathing difficulties and stomach upsets, and say it takes the paint off their cars. The official line is that the health risk is unproven, but with one in so. Californiane depending on the fruit and veg industry for their jobs, the

argument is not just a medical one. (Cestax) 9.00 Film: Sheker Run (1986). Cliff Robertson and Lisa Harrow star in a car chase movie about a former motor racing star touring New Zeeland doing one-main stunt car shows. When iked for help by a government search scientist who has stolen a deedly virus culture, his desperation for cash overcomes his suspicions and he agrees to help. It is the cue for a zardous four-hour drive and plenty of high-speed stunts, which help to ate for a predictable plot. compensate for a predictabl Directed by Bruce Momaph: 10.30 Newsright with Peter Snow.

11,15 The Late Show includes an interview with film director Paul Schrader 11.55 Weather 12.00 Prisoners of Conscience. See 7.55 12.05em Behind the Headlines. See 4,30. Ends at 12.40

to Alan Bennett, David Edgar, John Godber and Willy Russell; guest lecturers in a new MA course at Birmingher

University; and Roy Ports
reviews a new collection
Tennyson Letters arises

6.00 The Art of Landscape. Soothing music and beautiful returnl image 6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily 12 00 Broken Silence, The Spenish

documentary series about animal behaviour today looks at equatic species (r) 12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Susanneh Simons 1.00 Sesame Street. Educational fun for

pre-school children. Guest star is Jay Leno 2.00 Film: The Guinea Pig (1948, b/w). Richard Attenborough has a rough time as a London tobacconist's son sent to a public school se perl of an experiment. With Shelle Sim and

Bernard Miles. Besed on the play by Warren Chatham Stode and directed by Roy Boulting 3.50 Mr Magoo. Cartoon adventures of the myopic hero
4.00 Vintage: The Devastator, Hugh-Johnson looks at the relatively recent

marriage of the wine industry and accerce. This week he explores the mystery why the American phylioxera beetle caused havor in European vineyards but did no damage in its native country (r) 4.30 Fifteen-to-One. William G. Stev hosts the fest-moving general knowledge quiz show

5.00 The Late Late Show, Gay Byrne presents the topical and lively late-night how from Dublin 6.00 Ros enne. American silcom about the trials of a wise-cracking wester mother, Starring Rossenne Barr and John Goodmen (r)

Sineact O'Connor and produced in 6.30 Yonight with Jonether Rose.
Among tonight's guests is Hollywood actor Devic Carradine who talks about *Mate Her*, the film starring his

soour Amer Fair, the film starring his daugnter, which he has been making for the past eight years
7.00 Channel 4 News
7.50 Comment followed by Weather
8.00 Brookede. Liverpudian scap channing the ups and downs of those living in a suburban cul-de-sac.
(Telefact)

8.30 My Two Dads. Average American cornedy bares about 12 year-old Nicole (Staci Keenen) who is being brought up by her two very different fathers — Michael, an ambrious young businessmen, and Joey, a free spirited artest — either of whom could be her biological father. With Paul Resier and Greg Evigan



Oliver Reed and Ameada Donokee (\$.00pm 9.00 Film: Castaway (1986).

© CHOICE, in filming the story of Lucy livine (Amenda Donohoe) and Gerald Kingsland (Oliver Reed), who decided to live for a year on a tropical island, the director Nicolas Roeg

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1.25pm Sportsdasi 1.30 Footbell: Centro Rangers 3.30 Rugby Languer Australian Tops 6.00 Turk Tres 6.00 Sportsdash 6.35 Faiting the West 7.00 GW Talks To . . . Barry Halan 7.30

may have been constrained by having to stack more or less to the facts. The man fact was that once the pair reached the stand their relationship far from blossoming, started to dientegrate; which inevitably reduces the dramatic tension. It is, nevertheless, a sharply observed study of a middle-aged male chauvinist confronted by a younger woman trying to preserve her independence. Read gives one of his more engaging performances and Donohoe shows depth and maturity in her first film part: For a film maker given to beroque extrevegences, Piceg adopts a straightforward style, although there is plenty of symbolism for those who want to find it 11.15 Four-Mations UK. Girle' Night Out. Animation about factory on Beryl, climbong with an unusual striptease. 11.20 State of the Art 3. An insight into the vanety of work being produced by

student and other young animation film makers, including Jeson Keeley's Amige Two and Martin Standbridge's Amour d'innocence 11.55 Ubu. Geoff Dunbar's animated version of Alfred Jamy 's ecandalous

play
12.15em Film: Further and Particular
(1988) Following on from the evening's
sequence of animation is another
drame inspired by the work of the
French surrealist writer Alfred Jarry.
Stephen Dwoelen's experimental film takes the shape of a journey through a boy's memores if explores a world shaped by his mother's desires, in Which vague and Isola memory are Reshed out and ned with extreme and familiastic detail: With Flicherd Butler, Carola Regner, Jean Fannell and frene Marot. Ends at 2.25

RADIO 3

6.55em Weather and News Headlines (FM only) 7.00 Morrang Concert: Local 3.50 Mozart and Beethoven: Mozart (Sonata in G. K 379); Beethoven (Sonata in A, Op (Concerto in D. Op 3 No 1: ... Concerto Amsterdem); Monteverdi (Chiome d'oro, 30 No 1) (r) 4,40 Peter Hurford: The organist plays Bach (Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BWV 533); Canzonetta: Turs e Clori, Ballo concertate: Les Arts
Floressents under William
Christie)
7.30 News
7.35 Morrang Concert (cont):
Virézstav Novák (South Handel (Sonata in C); Stanley (Voluntanes, Op 7 No 6); Handel (Fugue in B flat, No 3); Bach (O Lamm Gottes unschuldig, BWV 1095; Der Tag is so freudentsich, 719; Christ leg in Todesbenden, 695; Jesu, meine Freude, 713; Prelude and Fugue in G, 541) Boheman Suite); Ottenbach (Pas de str., on Themes from Rossini's William Tell); Gabriel

5.30 Mainly for Pleasure

Parné (Divertissements sur un thème pastoral); Quiter (Dream Valley) 3.30 News 8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Sir

7.05 Third Ear:

• CHOICE: The sperks that fly between film director Alan Parker and film critic Algel Andrews extend the 1990 fireworks season by 25 minutes, it does Third Ear no William Waiton (Overture, Portsmouth Point; Piano Quartet; Fecade)
9.35 Morring Sequence: Purcell (Peces from Museck's Hendman) Kesth Elcombe, virginals; Mozert (Eine Meine harm at all to be as adverser as this when the subject matter justifies it (as it does tongit), and when the Nachromusak, K. 525. Salomon Ouerter); Purcell (Soite No 8 in F. Keith Ecompe, virginais); Schubert (Im Frühlung, D 892- Dietrich Fischer-Dieskatt, bantone, Gerauf Moore, piano); Schubert (Sonata in B latt; D 960; Martin Roscoe, piano, Abschied, D 957 No 7, for bantone and piano); Schubert (Two Scherzi: Martin Roscoe); Purcell (A New Ground, Mussick's Handmaid); Blow (Stute No 2; Keath htmusik, K 525, Salomon

tonght), and when the adversaries are equally adopt at tossing finecrackers (as they are tonight). Director and critic differ over almost everything, but especially the extent to which Parker is justified, in Andrews's words, in "smothlying and sentimentalising" history in films such as Advassisppin Sunning (racist volence) and Parker's laser, Come See the Paractise (wertrue interminant of American Japanese) Hoscuet, Funcial (1997)
Ground, Musick's Handmeid);
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Leonskaja, peno); Anon (The
Mitter Rant, Motley's Maggort;
Oid Simon the King, Musick's
Hendmeid Keith Elcomoe);
Elgar (Pano Cunter: Allegri
Simog Quarter)
12.10pm BEC Welsh SO under
Brycen Thomson performs
Smetare (Berilk, Mě Vlast);
Veughen Williams (Symphony
No 4 iz F mnor)
1.00 News of American Japanese) 7.30 EBU International Concert
Season: Live from the Concert
Hall, Glasgow, BBC Scottish
SO under Jerzy Maksymiuk
performs Debussy (Marcha

SO under Jarry Mercha performs Debussy (Mercha eccessuse); Elger (Violin Concerto); E.30 The Arts in Gasgow 1990. The idea of "Glasgow style" is questioned by Martin Kernp, professor of art history at St Andrews University (r); 8.50 James MacAlain (The Contession of Isobel Gowdie); Debussy (borns) 1.00 News
 1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Live Irom 51 John's, Smith Square, London. Architi Cuarret performs Stravinsky (Concertno), Elliott Carter (Quartet No. 1)

9.35 The 1990 Reith Lectures: The Persistence of Faith (2 of 6) (r) (Company), Capital States (Company) (Quarter No 1)
2.00 Third Opinion (r)
2.45 William Matthes (Reflections on a Theme by Tomkins — first broadcast), Gereth Walters 10.05 For Flute Alone: Anna Noskes plays Debussy (Syrnx): C.P.E. Bach (Sonata); Bozza

(Images)

10.30 Mixing It, with Mark Russell and Robert Sandell 11.30 Composers of the Week (FM only from 11.55); Telemann (r) 12.30-12.35am News (FM only) 1.00-3.10 Night School (FM only) (except in Scotland)

(s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shupping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day with the Rev Alan. Reid (s) 6.30 Today, with Sue MacGregor and Peter Hobday, incl. 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, a young woman. Although none of the gathering claim to have known the deceased, he holds them responsible for her death (s) (r) Katerdoscope: Can playwriting be taught? Paul Vaughn talks

incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35 The Weather of 4.83 The Professionals: Part 2: Artists. A view of thise professions as, recorded in the BBC sound archives. The portrait painter-l-temphrey Ocean studies the haphazard world of the career sensi (s) 8.57 Weather News

9.00 News 9.05 Start the Week with Melvyn Bragg and guests (s) 10.00 News: Money Box: A Question of Money Louise Botting, Vincent Duggleby, Christopher Glichnst and Philip Hardman

answer questions on personal finance 10.30 Moming Story: A Feirly Regular Four, by Frederic Rapheel, Read by Norman Roders

Rooway 10.45 Daily Service from the Chapel of Loretto School, Musselburgh (s)
11.00 News; Down Your Way; Wally
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britiday in the home town of

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11.40 Poetry Peasel from Northern
Ireland. A special edition,
introduced by Smon Rae, of
works by Irish poets
requested by Islanders. Read requested by listeners. Read by Ruth McCabe and Ian McElhinney. The guest is Paul Duman

Durcan 12.00 News; You and Yours with John Warte 12-25pm Counterpoint: General knowledge music competition chared by Ned Sherin (s) chared by Ned Sherrin (s) 12.55 Westher 1.00 The World at One with James

Neughtie 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Introduced by Jenni Murray. Includes an interview with the actor Robert Hardy; a decussion on what qualities

are needed to make a good leader; and an item on pert-time elaployment. \$,00 News; An inspector Calls, by J.B. Prestiley, A rhystenous inspector (Geoffrey Benks), arrives at a temity celebration enquiring about line succide of

John Brook (John Caste)
circams of international
expension for his security
business. However, his plans
to raise new finance in the
City are thwated by an
investigative journalist, who
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activities (s)
9.15 Kaleidoscope (broadcast at
4.30pm) (s)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight
with Nigel Cassioy (s) 9.59
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10.00 The World Tonight with
Fischerd Kershaw (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Vedi. Sam
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THE TIMES MONDAY NOVEMBER 26 1990

prime minister, will confirm many of the worst forecasts about the Soviet economy when he presents his economic plan and budget projections for next year to the

Supreme Soviet today.
The 1991 budget, which calls for extensive cuts in investment, higher prices and a new sales tax, will be considered by parhamentary deputies who are already critical of the new Union Treaty to decide relations between the central Soviet government and the 15 republics, the draft of which was published on Saturday.
"Negative tendencies" which

have reduced this year's national income by 3 per cent, industrial production by almost I per cent and productivity by 2 per cent, will continue, says the budget forecast. Repeated warnings of uncontrollable inflation and economic collapse are interspersed with figures showing that Moscow will be hard pressed to keep its internal deficit down to this year's level of 60 billion roubles. Unless drastic measures are taken, the deficit could be four times higher.

In his budget, Mr Ryzhkov stands by the freeing of prices for so-called "luxury goods", a measure already rejected by several republics, including the Russian Federation. He calls for the introduction of a new 3 per cent sales tax in addition to the existing "turnover tax", levies on newly started and uncompleted construction projects and a 25 per cent cut in administrative staff in industrial enterprises. There is nothing about cutting the govern-

Despite promises of reduced military spending, allocations to the military sector remain the biggest single item in next year's state budget, at more than 98 billion roubles (or 38 per cent of central, as opposed to republic spending). This is more than double the sum set aside for subsidies to the economy

In foreign trade, the Soviet Union will be handicapped not only by a projected halving of oil



Rhyzkov: calling for higher prices and new taxes

NIKOLAI Ryzhkov, the Soviet exports and large debt servicing payments, but by the switch to convertible currency for trade within the East European trading organisation, Comecon. This, Mr. Ryzhkov says, will greatly reduce the demand for Soviet machinery and manufactured goods. He proposes that imports should be slashed from 38 billion roubles this year to 20 billion roubles.

The budget is couched in more cautious and provisional language than in previous years, with "recommendations" rather than instructions. Despite this change, it remains highly centralised in spirit, and central control touches almost every area of economic activity. In the unlikely event that all the recommendations are followed, the republics would be left with few resources to call their

The same objection, that an ssentially centralising document is being presented as a liberalising measure, has been levelled against the new Union Treaty. While the centre reserves the right to determine defence, foreign and overall economic policy for the union, in almost every other area, including foreign trade, natural resources and crime, it also retains a "co-ordinating" or "regulating" role. Republics are given the right to decide what forms of property ownership and social structure they have, but they must also adhere to agreed basic norms in social policy and working

Republics will own the land and its resources "with the exception of what is essential to realising the authority of the USSR". Republics can pass their own legislation, but "should not obstruct the union in realising its authority". Republics are empowered to kevy their own taxes, but there will also be union taxes and deductions for all

The three Baltic republics and Georgia have already made it clear that they will not sign the Union Treaty, regardless of what it contains, because they want full independence from the Soviet Union. The Lithuanian prime minister, Kazimiera Prunskiene, has said that the draft treaty is of interest to her government only in so far as it shows what sort of a Soviet Union Lithuania will be

dealing with in future. Islam Karimov, president of the Central Asian republic of Uzbekistan, said that the treaty would fore his republic would sign, and the Russian Federation starts its twice-yearly congress of people's deputies tomorrow. It is expected to adopt a constitution that will in many respects conflict with the

Soviet famine, page 9



Facing the future: Mr Walesa addressing the Catholic University in Lublin in the run-up to Poland's presidential elections. Polls give him a lead in the first round

Campaign stirs bitter emotions

Continued from page 1

police soon separated the brawlers and election day passed relatively calmiy. None the less the campaign has stirred some bitter emotions and Mr Walesa admitted in Gdansk yesterday that the future president would have a difficult job mending the political fractures. "Even if I win the presidency," he said, "the real victory is still ahead." Mr Walesa has threatened to

step down rather than go through with a second round contest on December 9. The Mazowiecki campaign team says that this is merely a ploy to mobilise wavering voters. If the election does enter a second round there will be an intensive round of bargaining as the two chief candidates woo the Peasants' party - which wants subsidies and help in penetrating European Community markets and even from the former communist candidate, Włodzimierz Cimosiewicz, who according to the weekend poll can command a valuable 10 per cent of the vote.

Roman Catholic priests who used to urge their flock to vote against communists or boycott esterday remarkably discreet. Cardinals and bishops came out to vote, but the only advice from the pulpit was to "make a choice for Christian values". Mr Walesa and Mr Mazowiecki are both devout Catholics and have argued against the liberal abortion bill passed in

Saddam hostage campaign con

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against the advice of the British government, which fears that it could increase Baghdad's selfconfidence. Mr Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield, said however that the fact that the Iraqi government was ready to see him and others showed that the situation was

moving.

Nobody, even Saddam Hussein, is exempt from the expression of world opinion, and that expression is increasingly in favour of a progressive release of residents and a peaceful settle-ment to the Iraq question," he said. He wanted to explore the possibilities of a peaceful settlement. "Any leader will want to

MINISTERS will be strongly

pressed this week to harden up what Labour MPs, probation offi-

cers and penal reformers believe is

the government's half-hearted at-

tempt to restrict the courts' pow-

Opposition MPs support the

ers to jail non-violent offenders.

broad thrust of the Criminal

Justice Bill, but believe its pro-

posals are too timid and will have

only a marginal effect on the jail

flurry of amendments, the first of

which will be discussed on Thurs-

day when the bill goes into

The key amendment seeks to

remove the caveat the bill pro-

poses to the rule that courts should

generally disregard previous con-victions. Ministers, facing pro-

avoid bloodshed", he said. "The Iragis know my position on the Gulf and that I am opposed to the invasion of Kuwait and support

The Foreign Office has refused Mr Benn's request for secretarial assistance in Baghdad, but he said the Indian government would help him instead.

The British embassy in Baghdad said that Ron Brown, Labour MP for Edinburgh Leith, had left the city yesterday with assurances that five British businessmen would soon be released. Mr Brown. arrived in the capital on November 12 as a guest of the Iraqi National Assembly Muhammad Ali, the former

MPs urge stricter curbs on court powers

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

tests from judges and magistrates,

now say the circumstances of past

offences should be considered,

such as the professionalism with

Labour, together with bodies such as the National Association

for the Care and Resettlement of

Offenders (Nacro), says that the

qualification should be excised

because it will confuse sentencers.

The party also says that petty,

will remain at risk of being jailed.

government had undermined one

of the bill's central principles: that

punishments should closely match

the seriousness of the crime.

Home Office research had shown

that nearly 40 per cent of thieves

convicted for stealing goods worth

Nacro said yesterday that the

which they were committed.

world heavyweight boxing champion and convert to Islam who is suffering from Parkinson's disease and has difficulty in speaking, visited President Saddam yesterday. Through an aide he said he hoped to secure the release of some Americans.

A plane carrying 104 Germans and one Briton arrived in Frankfurt, Germany, from Baghdad yesterday. Most other German hostages were previously freed after a visit by Willy Brandt, the former West German chancellor.

About 70 of the 315 Italians were also freed, and Athens welcomed a decision to release ten Greeks. A Finnish delegation

less than £200 were sent to iail. A

spokesman said. "In such cases,

imprisonment is often a response

to persistent petty offending in the

past and cannot be justified by the

gravity of the offence for which the

judge is supposedly sentencing."

The association said the caveau

was unnecessary as courts could

legitimately consider a criminal's

style of offending when assessing

the seriousness of his offence. The

be used where offences are so

serious as to preclude community

sanctions, or to protect the public.

Ministers will also be urged to

rephrase the bill's opening clause,

so as to lay a formal duty on courts

not to discriminate against defen-

dants on grounds of race, colour

expected to seek the release of nine

The Iraqi authorities are planning a big Christmas reunion between hostages and visiting wives and have said that the remaining hostages will be re-leased in batches over the ensuing three months.

London and Washington have both dismissed the offer of visits as "cynical manipulation" and have urged relatives not to go to Baghdad, emphasising that their safety cannot be guaranteed during their stay in the city."

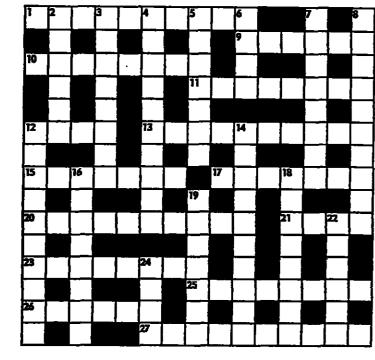
The British release may well provoke more spouses to come, just as the visit by politicians has inspired others to follow," said one Western diplomat vesterday. "In a civilised world you normally punish kidnappers, you do not pander to them. The presence of these women only adds to the Iraqi inventory of human

One American trapped in Baghdad echoed the views of many hostages when he said: "A good many of us are unhappy at the prospect of future visits. They recall the difficulty in getting the romen and children out in the

Yesterday the wives of Britons freed recently warned relatives of other captives in Iraq not to expect visits. "We feel that this release is a one-off," Dorothy Goodwin, who led the group of wives on their two-week mission to Baghdad, said.

"If they succeed we will be the first to congratulate them, but they should not expect the same treatment"

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,461



ACROSS

- 1 Slump causing gloom (10). 9 English second XI, we hear, earns respect (6).
- 10 Critical of the skipper with unpaid debts (8). 11 He loves making a sheepish creature run around (8).
- 12 A divine waitress! (4) 13 Time the factory-worker when
- 15 Employment with a catch to it? 17 Essential vitamin for a Welsh-
- man (7). 20 College authorities after rum for a fraternal association (10). 21 A swimmer - the only one to be
- 23 She is a beautiful Italian (8).

DUOFOLD

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,460 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied

- 25 Stopping many a recording (8). 26 Recruit given directions by heel 27 Main need to create improve-
- ment (10).

- 2 A game of cards in the car tends to keep children quiet (6).
- 3 The cart's odd wheels limiting movement (8). Holds until completely motion-
- less (5-5). 5 Vet gets bug out of parrot's head
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Executive Editor David Brewerton

MONDAY NOVEMBER 26 1990

CBI forecasts 2.3% drop in factory output

By PHILIP BASSETT AND COLIN NARBROUGH

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significant downturn in eco-nomic activity at the end of this year and the early part of

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CBI leaders say anecdotal

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last week.

THE Confederation of British Industry has joined the most gloomy economic forecasters in predicting that output will to report, the CBI says that the CBI says unemploy-THE Confederation of British fall for four successive quarters, starting in the last three months of this year, and that manufacturing output will drop by 2.3 per cent in 1991.

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tion report, the CBI says that the downturn in the economy is expected to continue in the first half of 1991, but that "the forecasts point to a recovery in economic activity in the second half of 1991".

Forecasting a 1 per cent decline in economic activity in 1991 as a whole — against the Chancellor's forecast of 0.5 per cent growth — the CBI says memployment will continue to increase beyond the end of the recession in output, rising to 2.1 million by early 1992. Retail price inflation, currently 10.9 per cent, will fall to 5.4 per cent by the end of 1991, virtually in line with Treasury forecast, and to 4.5 per cent by the end of the following year.

The current account deficit, forecast by the Treasury to be. This short-term pessimism Ins short-term pessimism is strongly tempered, how-ever, by signs that sectors hit early in the recession have already passed their nadir, giving some confidence that

Business confidence at lowest for decade

The state of the s THE CBI's latest monthly survey shows that manufacturers are expecting output to fall over the next four months. On balance, more com-

panies expect the volume of output to decline than at any in such areas as truck sales at a weak recovery in the second meeting of the CBFs ecohalf of 1991 to allow 0.7 per time since December 1980, the onset of the early Eighties

David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI's economic situation committee, said that overall demand remained weak, and profit margins were under considerable pressure. Many manufacturers were looking for interest rates to be cut as quickly as possible.

About 39 per cent of companies expect the volume of output to decline over the next four-month period, contin-uing a trend since July of falling output expectations.

The "balance" of 23 per cent expecting output to fall compares with a figure for October of 17 per cent. Stocks are reported to be adequate, and

The CBI survey, based on replies from 1,379 companies received between October 30 and November 14, shows that 55 per cent of companies are reporting order books at below

normal levels. Demand was particularly weak in metal manufacturing, followed by engineering. Taking into account those reporting orders above-normal, a balance of 44 per cent have below-normal order books,

the same as in October. Mr Wigglesworth said this indicated some hope that the fall in domestic orders might be reaching a low point.

Export order books have weakened markedly since October, with a "balance" of 31 per cent reporting insufficient orders compared with 23 per cent.

Shell oil find

Brunei Shell Petroleum, par of the Royal Dutch/Shell Group, says it has discovered large deposits of gas and light oil in the Champion field about 37 miles offshore north of the Brunei capital.

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Question mark over

spring flotation

By MARTIN WALLER

the postponement of the flotation of National Power and the smaller PowerGen, the two electricity generators, in February at a probable value of £3.5 billion.

The fear is growing in the City that a snap election called by a victorious candidate to secure a new five-year mandate would clash with the flotation.

It is also feared that the mere possibility of a spring election would create far too much uncertainty in the City and among private investors for the lengthy promotional campaign leading up to privatisation to be launched.

This would be sad news for Ed Wallis, chief executive at PowerGen, and John Baker, his counterpart at National

Since the unexpected departure of Robert Malpas, the evidence suggests that some sectors that were hit earliest by the recession may now be past the worst, raising confidence that the recession can be contained and will not be as severe as in the early Fighties.

Some business leaders were Milligan, UK economic admenorable contained and vising a viser to Lloyds Bank sees PowerGen chairman, this month, Mr Wallis has firmly established himself in the driving seat of his company as it heads towards privatisation, a position already held at National Power by Mr Baker. After the government's flirtation with a private sale of PowerGen, both are anxious for privatisation to go ahead as soon as possible.

Given the need to keep March and April open for the next five years, averaging 2
per cent, or about half the level achieved during the late then take place until May, to the dismay of the two Scottish that month, at an estimated £1-£1.5 billion. One option would be to

push Scottish Power and Scottish Hydro-Electric back into June, but the more likely year and by 0.3 per cent in 1991. Now, because overall is foreseen narrowing to below them in the anti-economic activity is already £10 billion in 1991, but holiday season. decision would be to float them in the autumn after the

The Scots are already ag-grieved that they are having to



Sinking feeling: Ed Wallis of PowerGen (left), and National Power's John Baker

take third place in the shares in the two generators stock market had formed a privatisation of the power But the narrow window

within which they can be sold is illustrative of the tight schedule to which the government has to adhere. It must also avoid a clash with the second call on the 12 distributors, which is payable in

secretary, who agonised over whether to sell all of the distributors, believes there is distributors next month rests

the generators.

should be sold at once. But proper assessment of them, John Wakeham, the energy might raise more funds. secretary, who agonised over The final political hitch whether to sell all of the over the sale of the 12

more reason to retain some of on City fears over Labour's plans to regain state control of They are perceived as far the National Grid Company, riskier investments than the which the 12 jointly own.
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tober. plausible that a second sale, Grid would cut off about 10.

The City is keen that all the several years after, when the per cent of their profits.

Dividend | Renault lifts Skoda bid

Prague
RENAULT has improved its joint production." offer for Skoda in a last-minute attempt to beat Volksailing Czechoslovak carmaker. Raymond Levy, the Remade with its associate,

Volvo, would involve investing Fr13 billion in Skoda over

and Volvo, important invest- pared."

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Skoda is expected to choose between the Renault offer and wagen for the hand of the an DM8 billion bid from Volkswagen within a few days. The decision has to be ratified nault chairman, said the offer, by the Czech regional govern-

Vladimir Dlouhy, the economy minister, said: "The the next five years. Czech government will take
He added: "Renault offers the final decision after the two Czech government will take an equal three-part associ-ation between Skoda, Renault and Volkswagen are comand Volkswagen are com-(Reuter)

Tory election may lead to postponement of generators sale | BT 'may block cheaper services'

By NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

MEASURES designed to limit rather than boost competition in a freer telecommunications market have been drafted by

British Telecom. The company is considering higher prices for companies that sell discount services by reselling bulk and spare capac-ity on BT's digital network. Information leaked to the

National Network, the company that has the exclusive rights to resell spare capacity on the Post Office's telecoms system, indicates that BT. which owns the Post Office's lines, expects to begin phasing out discounts to buyers of bulk lines next year.

The practice, which has led to discount services for business users, has played a key role in increasing competition in America, experts claim.

The document indicates that BT plans to base the price of multiple lines on the cost of a single line for digital private circuits. This would leave business customers little to choose between using BT or a resale company like the National Network.

BT says in the document that it expects opposition from Oftel, the telecom-munications regulator that approves BT pricing policies, but it will try to implement the changes in April.

Michael Davis, chairman of the National Network, said his company had adopted stra-tegies to head off BT's pro-posed move, including the signing of an agreement with Telecolumbus of Switzerland,

which has bought the world's largest private digital network. Mr Davis said the company would also be looking to Mercury and the networks of British Rail Telecom to buy bulk line capacity as soon as they came on line. National Network will apply to build its own network, as part of the

government's duopoly review,

which is expected to report in "The trade and industry document on telecommunications policy for the 1990s, published less than two weeks ago, opens the way for competition to reduce prices. BT is moving to block one of the main ways in which it can work," Mr Davis said.

A spokesman for BT confirmed the company was planning to review its pricing policy in the spring. He described details contained in the leaked document as "hypothetical", saying: "No decision has been taken yet."

looks at French bid

By OUR CITY STAFF

KINGFISHER, the retail group that owns Comet, Superdrug, Woolworths and B&Q, is believed to be gearing up for a sizeable takeover or joint venture, a year after its £570 million bid for Dixons, the electrical retailer, was banned by the Monopolies

The group is in talks with Darty, the largest electrical retailer in France. A merger or joint venture would give Kingfisher an entry into Europe and allow its Comet chain to grow without facing

monopolies problems. Nigel Whittaker, Kingfisher's director of corporate affairs, said the group, in common with many retailers,

was looking at Europe. Kingfisher is known to study carefully every opportunity in its markets and is the subject of bid rumours. Its name has been linked to a series of vague acquisition stories in recent weeks, including Storehouse, Sears and, least likely of all, Ratners. Kingfisher took a serious look at Boots before its purchase of Ward White but with a market capitalisation of £1.7 billion, Kingfisher is considerably smaller than Boots, valued at

more than £3 billion. Kingfisher is surviving the recession better than most retailers and is in a strong position to take advantage of the depressed value of its competitors' shares by making

declining the CBI is expecting remaining stuck around this manufacturing output this level. Kingfisher Refinancing likely at WPP Group

utive of WPP Group, the ably, panic selling ensued highly borrowed advertising his company last week.

forecast by the Treasury to be £15.5 billion this year, will fall

to £9.8 billion next year, the

CBI says, followed by a reduc-tion to £9.2 billion in 1992. The CBI's forecasts are based on expectations that the

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But, as a result of ERM entry,

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The CBI has sharply altered he expects weak growth for the

Bankers are said to favour A conventional rights issue for the dividend. is unlikely because of the fall

in the share price to 138p on Friday from 392p at the start of the week. The City would like to see WPP raise up to £100 million to tide it over the months ahead. WPP, which owns J Walter

Thompson and Ogilvy & Mather, the advertising agencies, gave a warning that profits for the year to end-December were unlikely to match City estimates of £110

Despite the company's as-



MARTIN Sorrell, chief exec- still trading extremely profit-Analysts are concerned that

company, is expected to an-nounce a refinancing package million this year, next year's after the slump in the value of his company last week.

pre-tax profits may be no more than £70 million. WPP's debt is expected to be about an injection of equity from a £315 million by the year-end, potential partner, in return for a stake in the group, plus the sale of parts of the business.

and there are worries about interest and debt repayment covenants and the prospects But WPP is expected to

retain the confidence of its bankers who are unlikely to push the group to take any drastic action immediately. Their first priority is to see City confidence restored to the

Dentsu, the largest Japanese agency, which only weeks ago announced it was taking a 40 per cent stake in Collett Dickenson Pearce, the advertising agency, may do a similar deal with WPP. Dentsu has a 20 per cent stake in the HDM network in Europe, a partner-ship between Dentsu, Eurocom and Young and Rubi-

Other large Japanese agen-cies have also announced plans to expand in Europe and America and a partnership with WPP could be ideal. The most obvious disposal for WPP would be the sale of Scali McCabe Sloves, the American agency which re-cently lost the Volvo account.

of the two is possible.

blow for Harlin

From Brian Buchanan

PETER Bartels, the chief executive of Elders IXL, has dealt a blow to John Elliott's Harlin Holdings, the company's main shareholder, by ruling out the special dividend originally proposed by Mr Elliott as part of restructuring plans. Harlin needs the funds to lower its own debts.

Mr Bartels, who took ove from Mr Elliott in May, said the board had been clear that it would not pay a special dividend this year. Instead cash raised by the brewing group from asset sales would be used to reduce debt. Elders was aiming to be "one of the more conser-

vatively geared companies in Australia," he said. The company was likely to look at the dividend issue "when we're considering next year".

Hariin is Elders' controlling shareholder with 39 per cent.

Dividends from Elders are the company's sole source of income. At present Harlin is funding its interest payments from a US\$110 million facility put in place by investors.

The special dividend would have put US\$1 billion into Harlin. Harlin debt includes US\$2 billion of interest-bearing debt and US\$860 million of preference shares after being forced into a takeover of Elders last year. One hope for Scali owns 22 per cent of Harlin is that the market will Abbott Mead Vickers, the respond to Mr Bartels' attempts to cut debt and lift British agency, and a merger Elders' share price.

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Airlines put Singapore links in a spin routes they want us to fly would have From HARVEY ELLIOTT

IN SINGAPORE

HOPES of expanding international airline competition and boosting links between Britain and Singapore after last year's liberal aviation treaty look like foundering. The reason: old-fashioned international airline politics and rivalry

between the national carriers. British Airways has rejected a proposal to base a fleet of jets in Singapore to provide a network of services throughout Asia. The scheme, which would have justified the expansion of Singapore's Changi airport, was turned down when it became clear Singapore Airlines would demand a similar hub at Heathrow.

Singapore was delighted when BA switched the stop on its one-stop service between London and Australia from Bangkok this year and suggested it base a

fleet of smaller jets in Singapore. A BA spokesman said last night: Theoretically it would be possible for us to create a new hub in Singapore but in reality it is not practical. Most of the

been fiercely opposed by other countries in the area and in return they would be seeking to fly on routes from London across the Atlantic and elsewhere."

BA has also pulled out of talks with Singapore Aerospace and Japan Airlines aimed at creating a giant engineering base at Singapore airport to maintain

The Singapore government is still hoping for a change of mind by BA and is trying to persuade other European arrines to take part. Ho Beng Huat, deputy director general of the Civil Aviation Authority for Singapore, said yesterday: "We hope we will become the aviation hab of the region. We can take all comers and will encourage other

airlines to set up a base here." The booming Far East aviation market is growing so fast that within ten years it is predicted that 40 per cent of all international traffic will be centred on the region. To cope with the demand, Singapore has invested well over £200 million in building another terminal at

Changi airport. Its futuristically named "Airtopolis", which has just formally opened, will double capacity from 15 million passengers a year to 30 million but could turn into a costly white elephant as airlines face the possibility of

a slump in passenger numbers. Singapore is almost alone in having spare capacity. Tokyo is hemmed in by environmental pressures; Hong Kong's plan to build a massive airport on reclaimed land on Lantan island has offended mainland China because it was not consulted; and other nearby rivals such as Bangkok and Kuala Lumpur are virtually full and will take many years to build facilities to match Singapore's. Singapore's Changi airport was

opened in 1981 and swiftly grew as it ttracted flights. With the new ultra-long-range Boeing 747-400, officials became convinced that European airlines that were forced to stop at Middle East airports such as Dubai or Abu Dhabi would simply bypass them and land at a convenient city in the fast-growing Asian region.

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

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more than 200,000 tonnes.

There are also more than

3,000 miles of sub-sea pipe-

line. The difficulties of remov-

ing some structures appear almost insurmountable.

Under existing North Sea

tax rules, companies pay up to

85 per cent of profits to the

enue tax and corporation tax.

However, they can also offset 85 per cent of the costs of

capital spending against taxes.

will, in large part, be tiable for

the costs of abandonment.

There will be considerable

appeal for the government to

adopt the lowest-cost solution.

Eighties, a high-tax regime

almost strangled the UK

North Sea oil industry. But for

Continental Shelf has been a

source of immense revenue

for the Treasury. As the

century draws to a close, and

tax payments decline, the

against \$2.5 billion in 1989. Constantine Mitsotakis,

Greece's prime minister, has

big public deficit and an

annual inflation rate at nearly

Greece expected to

seek loan from EC

By OUR CITY STAFF

to 500 billion drachmas (£1.6 introduced tax and price rises

billion) before the year-end to and fiscal changes to combat a

ditional balance of payments 22 per cent. But the loan may loan. Greece had a \$2.6 billion carry tough conditions as pres-

balance of payments deficit in sure mounts for Greece to take

the first seven months of the an even firmer hold on the

year, and some economists economic reins in preparation

expect the deficit to reach \$2.8 for economic and monetary

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At the beginning of the

Thus, it is the taxpayer who

Magnus, is a 40,400-

trimmed to £2.8 billion.

TAXPAYERS could have to tions to ensure safety of pay £3.4 billion for removing navigation, and satisfy fisher-North Sea oil rigs as producpect is concentrating minds on how to ensure every last drop of oil is extracted.

Pressure is growing for changes in the tax regime to donment of installations. A round of consultations has begun between the House of Commons energy select com- Sea, mittee and operators to establish who will carry the cost, liabilities and other obligations arising from 23 years of offshore production.

The questions are becoming urgent as the North Sea becomes a "mature" oil prov-ince. Two of the 150 pro-duction platforms, Crawford and Argyll, could cease output within the next two years.

Argyll was the first to pump oil, 15 years ago. Gas produc-tion, in the West Sole field in the southern sector, began eight years earlier. Many platforms will reach the end of their useful life in ten years. Under International Mari-

time Organisation rules outlined in the 1987 Petroleum Act, structures in the shallow southern sector of the North Sea, mostly involving gas, will have to be removed.

In the northern and central areas, where the water is deeper, many platforms may most of the past decade, the be removed only to a depth of 55 metres below the surface. Others may be allowed to stand, subject to maintenance checks and provision of adequate lighting and buoyage. operators will claw back more
The decision lies with the tax relief to finance a tidy government, subject to obliga- withdrawal,

GREECE is expected to apply

formally to the European

Commission for a loan of up

The loan would be a tra-

billion by the end of the year, union.

aid its ailing economy.

Gold in Black Country



entrant to the Tory leadership contest but Sir William Francis, chairman of the Black Country Development Corporation. waving up a £100,000 advertising campaign, starting today, that is aimed at raising the profile of an industrial region still recovering from the last recession.

Sir William, a former Tarmac chief executive, wants to catch the attention of the nation's businessmen by ad-

vertising, on the theme of the Black Country with the heart gioomy swathe between Birof gold, using 600 black m and Wolverhamp-London cabs and posters at ton, blighted by two centuries of heavy industry. About In the four years since the £200 million of private investcorporation was started, it has ment has also been committed

within its boundaries. Almost 1,000 acres of land have been rectaimed and stand ready for development Substantial improvements to the area's road network are By next spring it will have also completed, under way or spent £95.4 million of public projected.

Jewellery sales lose shine demand has already weakened Group, which

key railway stations.

made great strides to over-

come the fragmented owner-

ship of land holdings and the

problems of industrial derelic-

tion within its 10 square mile

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

THE jewellery market, which has been the retail success story of the Eighties, with growth of 84 per cent between 1983 and 1989, is beginning to feel the effects of the economic recession, says a report by the market re-

The report says the weakening of demand began to emerge after the imposition of the community charge, and with the recession now well entrenched in the high street there are clear signs that

A quarter of total sales take erland, Zales and Salisbury in place in December. Verdict Britain, continues, with a 30 says trading has been esper cent share of the British pecially tough since April, market. with volumes declining in August and September. "The last time volumes declined in the summer was 1985 and

Despite the gloomy background, the report expects the wellery market to grow by 8.2 per cent in 1990, giving a value of £2.6 billion.

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Ratners' sales are now rising at about 15 per cent on last year but analysts believe Ger-ald Ratner, chairman and chief executive, may have difficulty in achieving his aim of 25 per cent sales growth this Christmas. Ratners has introduced Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles watches at £4.95. which are selling at the rate of

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Political doubts threaten to scare off investors

n August, I advised that long-dated gilt yields of . 12 per cent represented a very attractive buying opportunity for investors. Since then, yields have fallen to about 11 per cent, aided in part by sterling's entry into the ERM and increasing evidence that the economy is tipping into recession.

Indeed, there has been a cut in interest rates during the Gulf simution that is clearly warranted given the increasing evidence in America and Britain of weaker economic activity. Many institutional investors are augmenting their exposure to bond markets generally as the monetary squeeze throughout the G7 area over the past two years begins to show up in a contraction of nic activity.

Policy makers on both sides of the Atlantic, however, consider a recession will be short and sweet. In America, the average length of recession in the post-war period has been 11 months whereas in Britain recessions over the past 20 years have averaged 25 months.

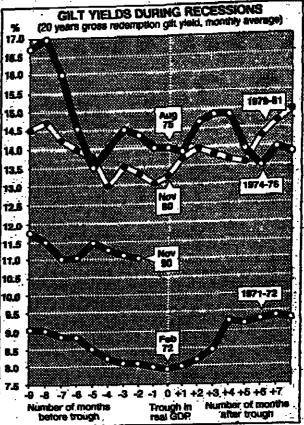
The existence of debtrelated structural imbalances in both economies is likely to prolong this contractionary phase beyond the average, especially as there is evidence to suggest both are becoming increasingly interest-rate insensitive.

While this implies that the Federal Reserve will have to be quite aggressive in loosening monetary policy to "kick-start" the American economy, the British might not be so tucky. ERM membership not only constrains the Chancellor's ability to reduce base rates, but also intensifies the squeeze. Moreover, it is not yet

clear that the peak in the German interest rate cycle has been established. Further rate rises in Germany threaten to keep sterling at the bottom of the ERM table. The financial discioline of ERM works in a straightforward, deflationary. way. A high exchange rate compresses export growth, depressing manufacturing output and forcing up unemployment, which eventually secures a durable reduction

in the inflation rate. The adjustment process can be long and painful, as the French and Irish discovered. In Britain, resistance in the labour market to the

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rigours of ERM will unfortunately result in Britain's unemployment rate (now 6 per cent) rising in excess of the average ERM unemployment rate of 8.5 per cent. A recession and sharply accelerating unemployment do not win elections. The political events of the past week increase the risk premium for international investors who are increasingly comparing gilts in an ERM bond market context. Japanese investors took no comfort in their favourite politician's departure (note the weakness in the sterling-

ven exchange rate). A victory in this week's ballot for Michael Heseltine would no doubt please the markets, given the perceived boost to the electoral chances of the Conservatives. However, gilt enthusiasts need to temper their bullishness. As the chart shows. long gilt vields typically decline as the trough in economic activity draws nearer. A similar . phenomenon

exists in the American bond market. Once the trough has been established (possibly the turn of the year if the Treasury is to be believed), gilt yields tend to rise. During 1991 this cyclical response could well be exac-

erbated by a deterioration in

funding prospects, especially if the government feels inclined to use fiscal instruments more actively and introduces a large tax reduction package in the next Budget to provide badly-needed relief for the household and corporate sectors. In this regard, the borrowing requirement could rise to

£10 billion in 1991-2 and

thus necessitate a sharp increase in gilt funding. As far as near-term prospects are concerned, gift yields may fall further on the stock lending squeeze, expectation of a base rate cut before the end of the year, and the "honeymoon period" that a new prime

minister is likely to enjoy:
However, political uncertainty is likely to persist. Rising unemployment and recession have never been vote winners. If the opinion polls over the riext few months look as though the result of the next general election remains inconclusive, gilt yields will find it difficult to make sustained progress. The international investor is almost certain to prefer less risky atternatives and better returns in other ERM bond markets.

NEIL MACKINNON

SMALLER COMPANIES New-look Hartstone aims to put European hosiery sales in the bag

HARTSTONE Group, the handbag, leather goods and hosiery group that has been transformed by a new management team, has reported half-year figures that received little attention.

Pre-tax profits surged from £677,000 to £2.26 million in the six months to end-September on turnover up from £5.56 million to £25.4 million. Shareholders benefited from an interim dividend of 1.25p (0.75p) after earnings per share jumped to 6.1p (2.5p). The figures were boosted by acquisitions, but profits from existing businesses grew 25 per cent, helped by the turnround of lossmaking operations. First-half profits from the handbag

and leather goods division, where Hartstone is the British market leader with 15 per cent, grew from £577,000 to £1.67 million on turnover up from £3.85 million to £13.5 million. The division's products are lower-

ticket and relatively recession-proof, helped by the fact that most handbags retail for between £15 and £25, while small purses and wallets tend to range from £1 to £10. Strong sterling has also helped costs of leather materials, most of

Hosiery, where the company has 20 per cent of the British market and is second behind Pretty Polly, saw profits jump from £30,000 to £535,000, on turnover ahead from £1.71 million to £11.9 million. Gearing stood at 30 per cent, but is expected to come down to about 10 per cent by the year-end.



Barker: looking to Europe Stephen Barker, executive chairman

and former chief executive of Albert Fisher, said the board is reviewing opportunities for strategic development industry, as well as a wider international opportunity in leather goods. Mr Barker said: "We are looking at a number of companies, particularly in Europe."

Andrew Holland, a smaller companies analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, expects full-year pre-tax profits of £7.3 million, against £3.22 million last time, giving earnings of 18.4p. He rates the shares a buy on a price/earnings ratio of

Kalon bucks the trend

KALON Group, the West Yorkshirebased paint manufacturer, has seen strong growth despite supplying the much-troubled DIY sector.

Kalon is the biggest independent British paint manufacturer with 50 per cent of the UK own label market and customers including B&Q and Texas.

Mike Hennessy, managing director, joined Kalon in 1987 when it was lossmaking and sold off the businesses "that weren't going anywhere". The company has been completely

rationalised, reducing cost, improving profit margins and raising market share. About 35 per cent of Kalon's business goes to trade customers and that side of the business has been growing rapidly. The group has 58 trade centres, mainly supplying smaller contractors and deco-rators with its Leyland brand as well as

Mr Hennessy said: "We've doubled

our market share, to 8 per cent, in the last three years." Kalon has planned 10 more sites by next August. He added: "I expect to see trade sales move forward by over 15 per cent each year." The company offers retailers compet-

itive prices as it does not have to bear the advertising costs borne by manufacturers such as Dulux and Crown, and the products are usually prominently

Net debt is expected to be cleared by the year-end, although it was 100 per cent geared three years ago.

Philip Morrish, at Smith New Court, is looking for full-year pre-tax profits of £5.5 million, against £4.52 million, giving earnings of 3.2p and a p/e of 10.6. Mr Morrish said: "The shares are a good long-term buy as the company has sound management and a good balance sheet."

PHILIP PANGALOS

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ast week this column was devoted to the imaginary doctrine of Heseltinomics. It is now time to examine the economic policies of Mr Heseltine's opponents. Since Douglas Hurd has no known economic views and would keep John Major as Chancellor, it is sufficient to focus on Mr Major.

While Mr Heseltine's policies seem more akin to a revolution than an evolution from Thatcherism, Mr Major's tend in the opposite direction. Majorism stands for almost no change at ail, at least on the economic front. This should hardly be surprising, considering Mr Major's present position. But it does seem at odds with the huge swing towards him in the opinion polls

a point of considerable
economic and financial significance, as we shall see below.

Mr Major is not the only one who suddenly appears able to trounce Labour. The same is true of Hurd, Heseltine and Uncle Tom Cobley. In fact, anyone but Mrs Thatcher. There is one proviso — the general election must be held within a day or so, before voters realise that a change

Economic consequences of Mr Major

at Number 10 may leave intact most of the unpopular policies identified with Mrs Thatcher.

Mr Major has suggested six lines of evolution for post-Thatcherite economic thinking. He would review the poll tax (but not at the cost of higher income tax), reduce interest rates (but not at the cost of higher inflation), extirpate inflation (but not at the cost of higher interest rates), cooperate with Europe (but not at the cost of Britain's sovereignty), improve rewards for blue-collar workers (but not at the cost of higher pay), and increase pay for teachers (but not at the cost of more money). The qualifications seem to rule out any significant progress on most of these commitments. The exceptions are interest rates and Europe.

Financial markets are speculating on a cut in interest rates within days or weeks of Mr Major coming to power. Analysts no longer ask what sort of message this would send to pay

ANATOLE KALETSKY

bargainers or how it would accord with Chancellor Major's promise to wait for a "safe" opportunity to cut rates. They are talking as if Mrs Thatcher personally were the main cause of Britain's inflation. The markets have decided to stop worrying about inflation as soon as the Thatcher moving van pulls away from Number 10. The plan is to concentrate on Europe and the opinion polls from then on.

That is great news for Mr Major, since he looks like a guaranteed election winner and is prepared to cut a deal on European monetary union. Ergo he will enjoy a honeymoon with the financial markets and have greater leeway to cut interest rates. That will make a Conser-

vative election victory even more certain. The "golden scenario" is back. The glitter is no longer obscured by that overbearing shadow with the handbag.

Mr Heseltine could enjoy the same golden scenario, but Mr Major can claim a further advantage. He has a policy on Europe, the hard ecu, that can unite the Conservative party from Euro federalists to Thatchcrite diehards. Thus Majorism eniovs a further unity premium in the financial markets, a sort of Tory peace dividend that can be handed out in interest rates and tax cuts before the election.

There is just one problem: the hard ecu can unite the Conservative party, but it cannot unite Britain with the rest of Europe. The other European countries regard the hard ecu plan as a bad joke. They specifically rejected it at the European summit last month and may do so again next month. The reason has been made clear repeatedly by the Bundesbank.

For the Bundesbank the key question about monetary union is simple: which other countries are wiling and able to accept the same monetary discipline as Germany? As far as the Germans are concerned, the only serious candidates are countries that will submit their monetary policies to politically independent central banks and ultimately to a European bank with statutes modelled on the Bundesbank's. Mr Heseltine has endorsed central bank independence, leading to permanently locked exchange rates against the mark. Mr Major has stuck to Thatcher tradition and rejected both.

The hard ecu plan is delib-erately designed to avoid this

sticky issue of central bank independence and is therefore incompatible with the approach to monetary union pursued by the other European countries under German pressure. If this is all that Mr Major (or Mr Hurd) has to offer at next month's summit he will again find himself in a minority of one, however softly he modulates his voice.

Mrs Thatcher was right when she said that her differences with the cabinet were over matters of style rather than substance. But her differences with Europe were all too substantial. If the next prime minister wants to break out of Britain's isolation he will have to change the content of Thatcherism, as well as its strident "mood and style".

The same could be true of winning a general election. After the initial euphoria is over, the new prime minister will have to change policy, especially econ-omic policy, in order to consolidate electoral support. The golden scenario of Thatcherism without Thatcher is probably fool's gold. If so, the markets and the Conservative party may be riding for a fall.

AT FIRST glance this week's offer for sale of shares in Trio Investment Trust looks, frankly, rather boring.

Managed by the little-known FEP, the trust plans to

invest at least 75 per cent of its portfolio in Footsie stocks with the remainder in quoted stocks valued at more than £250 million. The aim is for a 5 per cent yield.

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Nothing new in all that and the small size of the initial £4 million issue does not seem designed to secure liquidity in the trust's shares.

But there is a twist. Because more than 50 per cent of the company's portfolio will con-sist of quoted UK equities, its shares can be held in a Pep. An investor can put the foll £6,000 annual Pep allowance into a newly floated qualifying investment trust. So the first. £6,000 invested in the trust will receive returns free of capital gains and income tax. No great shocks so far,

However, a tucked-away clause in the prospectus points out that the company's authorised share capital is ten-times its intial issued share capital. Another small print paragraph states that the directors plan to increase the capital base of the company. through a rights issue "in the very near future". In theory, the company could increase its capital tenfold; and appar-

ently intends to do.

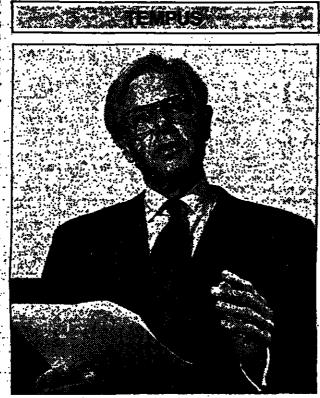
If so, a loop-hole in Pep legislation means that the for by shareholders through the rights issue will alsoqualify for Pep tax status. So, suddenly a £6,000 tax-free investment : becomes a

investor who has not reached. But that was when the wall the Pep investment limit and still stood, engineering busiis bullish on the risks in UK nesses were doing well and second look.

Meggitt

have been out of favour since be little doubt about the wisthe transformation of eastern dom of abandoning the USH Europe, despite Saddam Hus- bid, the affair badly dented sein, but Meggitt has come down faster than the Berlin the price underperforming the

Trio Trust tucks away a chance of some brio



£60,000 tax-free investment.

For the wealthy private Chilling message for second half: Julian Ogilvie Thompson triumph, given the conditions.

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equities, Trio. is worth a before the debacle of its bid for United Scientific Holdings. Auxieties over the group's the change in the international DEFENCE-RELATED stocks climate, and while there can sentiment. But has it justified

market by 40 per cent? hands at 123p 14 months ago. pre-tax profits reported two broker, looks for £28 million.

months ago was if anything a

Meggitt has completed almost 30 acquisitions since 1984. Orders were still ahead of sales in September, despite direction have surfaced since the weakness in defence and electronics, while civil aerospace contributed more profits in the six months than in the previous 12. Meggitt is unlikely to match

last year's £26.1 million yearend, and can hardly expect much growth in 1991, when Messitt shares changed The standstill in interim County NatWest, the house

Even so, with implied earnings of 11.6p, the shares at 55p would sell at an excessively lowly 4,7 times earnings.

Anglo American **EVEN** the mighty are tottering under tough economic conditions in South Africa. Anglo
American Corporation's attributable earnings fell 10 per
cent to 540 million rands
(£108.8 million) in the half year to end-September and Julian Ogilvie Thompson, the chairman, said things might not be much better in the second half.

Reduced income from its gold mining interests, which accounted for 21 per cent (30 per cent) of investment income, was only part of Anglo's story. Profits were lower also because "there was no significant growth in other sectors in which the corporation is

That is a chilling message since Anglo is invested in virtually every nook and cranny of the South African economy. Potential investors in Anglo have long been nervous for fear that the African National Congress will target the "good and the great" for economic revenge one day. Brighter political sunlight may break over South Africa in 1991 if social peace dawns and the sanctionracked economy is freed of its international strait-jacket. mains stubbornly in double figures, and the world gold price does not look as if it will quickly come to the economy's rescue The prospect is for margin-

ally lower attributable yearend earnings (possibly down from 1,355 cents to 1,245 cents a share). But if the final dividend is maintained, like the 85 cent interim payment, making an unchanged 325 cents for the year, Anglo shares at £13.80 would sell at 5.5 times prospective earnings and yield 4.8 per cent. They are solid enough for investors seeking an across-the-board entry into a post-apartheid South Africa. But until the economy again stands on steadier legs, time is on buy-

RTZ announces its new baby

ing group, is expecting a new family member. The giant Escondida copper mine in Chile, where RTZ has a 30 per cent interest, is expecting to start life with its first shipment of copper concentrates on December 15 and will produce up to 300,000 tonnes of the

metal a year when fully grown. The addition of Escondida to RTZ's copper family will make the group responsible for 6 per cent of the world's total copper production of about 8 million tonnes.

Escondida will be a brother for Palabora in South Africa, the Bougainville copper and gold mine (closed at present because of arson attacks) in Papua New Guinea, the Neves Corovo copper-tin mine in Portugal, and Highland Valley

The mine will be an important new player on the world copper stage. It has been brought to production comfortably under the original \$1 billion budget and is well ahead of schedule. As recently mine in history, and 16 mil-

as April, Sir Alistair Frame, lion ound the RTZ chairman, did not product. expect production until next

But it will still be some years before Escondida upstages the extraordinary matriach of the RTZ copper family. Bingham Canyon, the copper-gold-silver mine 25 miles southeast of

come a legend in its own The Canyon is the largest man-made pit on earth: two miles long, two-and-a-half miles wide and half a mile

Salt Lake City, Utah, has be-

With the Great Wall of China, it can be seen from the moon. Chicago's Sears Tower would only reach halfway up its side and the pit is deep enough to accommodate five Eiffel Towers.

Since 1906, more than 5 billion tonnes of rock have been removed from what was once a mountain. The ensuing canyon has yielded over 13 million tonnes of copper metal, more than any other

Bingham Canyon has been owned by RTZ since 1989 when, in the mining deal of the century, the group bought BP Minerals' worldwide assets for \$3.6 billion. The deal brought RTZ complete control of Kennecott Corporation, the jewel in BP Minerals.

Today, Bingham Canyon produces 15 per cent of total American copper output, and turns out gold, silver and molybdenum as by-products of its core copper mining operations. Income from these by-products reduces the net

cost of producing copper to no more than 30 cents a pound making it one of the lowest cost copper mines in the world. Its life is conservatively estimated at 25 years and further mine expansion both in depth and width - is

planned. Given time, Bing-ham Canyon might be visible from Pluto. In the mid-1980s, however,

were out of control and the workforce numbered 7,000. A \$400 million modernisation programme, a trimmed labour force and improved efficiencies helped bring the mine back to life. The mine now operates with a workforce of 2,350, processes 109,000 tonnes of ore a day, and boasts

productivity three-and-a-half times the level of 1980. Output this year is estimated at 227,000 tonnes of copper, 400,000 ounces of gold, between 2.5 million and 3 million ounces of silver and 11 million lbs of molyb-denum. A \$227 million programme now under way and due for completion in 1992 will raise annual copper production to 254,000 tonnes

and silver production.

Escondida may be the new baby in RTZ's copper family. But Bingham Canyon remains big brother to them all.

a year, with associated gold

COLIN CAMPBELL Mining Correspondent

REPORTING THIS WEEK

Safeway stores up some good fortune for Argyll

A GOOD set of results, reflecting a strong performance from the Safeway chain, is expected to be revealed by Argyli Group, the supermarkets group led by Alistair Grant. Safeway's operating profits

are expected to rise from £69 million to £100 million on sales ahead from £1.4 billion to about £1.79 billion, reflecting the conversion of further stores and improved margins. However, Argyll's interest receipts will be lower.

Interim pre-tax profits, due tomorrow, are expected to advance to £136.5 million, against £111.8 million last time, according to Michael Bourke at Panmure Gordon. Market forecasts range from £135 million to £140 million. **TODAY**

Interiens: Anglovasi, Carroll (PJ), Lees (John J), Merrydown Wine, Northumbrian Waser Group, Property Partnerships, Socitish & Mercantile Investment Trust, Vibroplant. Finata: Fairline Boats, Guinness Mahon Holdings. Economic statistics: CBI monthly trends enquiry (November), cyclical indicators for the UK economy (October).

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Allied-Lyons, the food and drinks group chaired by Sir Derrick Holden-Brown, is expected to turn in half-year pretax profits of £285 million, against £260 million last time, according to John Spicer at Kleinwort Benson. Market forecasts range from £280 million to £290 million.

Allied's profits will be held back by higher interest charges after the acquisition Whitbread's wines and spirits businesses, which will not make an impact on profits until the second half. Northern Foods, the Hull

food manufacturer, should benefit from higher levels of efficiency and hygiene. County NatWest WoodMac expects half-year pre-tax profits to climb to £46.2 million, against last time's £40.3 mil-

Lyle, the sugar group, may have been a little disappointing, particularly at Staley where cost overruns could have resulted in flat dollar



de Zoete Wedd is looking for million to £85 million. Market full year pre-tax profits of forecasts range from £80 mil-£217 million, against £200 lion to £85 million. million. Forecasts range from Interime: Albe, Bexbuild Develop-ments, Hambros, Lyons Irish Hidgs, Maxwell Communications Corp, NEC Corp, NSM, North West Water £212 million to £225 million. However, greater interest may focus on whether Tate can make a firm bid for Berisford International's Brit-Finals: ABI Lesure Group. BCE Inni, Dunedin Worldwide Inv Tst. Kwik Save Group, Tate & Lyte, Wescol Group.

ish Sugar subsidiary. Tate & Lyle is still awaiting official MMC clearance, whereas Garry Weston's Associated British Foods was given clearance in September. News is also awaited on

whether the company will be able to market Sucralose, the artificial sweetener, in America. Tests and trials have been completed and a ruling is awaited from the FDA early next year.

North West Water will be the second of three water companies reporting interim results this week. Lakis Athanasion at UBS

Phillips & Drew, who prefers North West to the water share package, has pencilled in pretax profits of £108 million, against a pro-forma £91.2 million last time. Market forecasts range from £100 to £108

Mr Athanasion is looking for dividend growth at about 13 or 14 per cent from all three companies. North West's interum dividend is expected at 5.9p (5.2p), assuming a onethird to two-thirds interim to final dividend split.

Save Group, the discount supermarket group, are expected to recover from a disappointing first half. Investment is starting to pay

Full year profits at Kwik

Sara Carter at Smith New

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decline should be compensated by a healthy contribution from Capital Group Studios and a strong performance from the Duke of York's Theatre. Capital will also benefit from an interest gain as the group is sitting on about £15 million net cash.

Chris Akers at Citicorp expects final pre-tax profits of about £15.5 million,

A difficult second half and provisions will restrict profits growth at Royal Bank of Scotland. BZW is looking for final pre-tax profits of £247.2 million, against £228.2 million. Forecasts range from £247 million to £270 million.

Strong growth in rental income and the benefits from rent reviews should help MEPC, the property invest-ment and development group, to final pre-tax profits of £151 million, against £128 million, according to Gareth Evans at Charterhouse Tilney. Market forecasts range from £143 million to £151 million. The net asset value is expected to fall to 795p (881p) per share, although some estimates are as low as 750p per share.

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No more o' Berlin

JOHN Major is scheduled to conduct the formal opening of Nomura Securities' grand new City offices in the old General Post Office building in St Martin's le Grand, near St Paul's Cathedral, tomorrow morning. Given his other business that day, Nomura executives would not be too upset if he could not make it. Since Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, Andrew Hugh Smith, the chairman of the International Stock Exchange, and the Japanese ambassador are also scheduled to attend, Japan's number one securities house is in no real danger of having to rely on an unworthy substitute. The distinguished gathering is some indication how keen the City is for Nomura to keep its European base in Britain. Talk that Nomura was to move its European headquarters to Berlin, just weeks after moving into its expensive new London flagship, is unfounded. Staff were alarmed to read last week that the entire operation would be shipped to Berlin. Not so, says Keith Clarke, the spokesman who was quoted as forecasting the move east in ten years' time. He was only indicating that with the economic centre of gravity shifting towards mid-Europe, this would have to be reflected in staffing policies, with the Berlin office trebling to about 300 while the London office grew at a slower rate. "We're firmly committed

to London, and this will remain the regional headdivision," he adds.

ANGST that unification with East Germany's decrepit economy could weaken the selling power of the Made in Germany mark of origin, has helped the Bonn government to come up with a DM200 million programme to enhance quality control. The four-year scheme is aimed primarily at small and mediumsized firms, which often suffer the most under the burden of quality control. Heinz Riesenhuber, the federal research minister, makes clear that the money must go towards ensuring quality well before the production stage - 90 per cent of spending on quality control still goes towards



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correcting faults after the product is made. Only 10 per cent is used to help prevent errors. Not surprisingly, Herr Riesenhuber thinks this is the wrong approach, since three quarters of all quality faults occur in the planning and development stage. With this kind of focus on quality, no wonder German firms can export successfully, however strong the mark is. IN NEW Zealand an econforeign companies.

omist is urging families to register their children as sheep. That way, he says, their food, accommodation and other expenses, including medical bills, would be tax deductible. Even better, mothers might even be eligible for shepherds' wages. The idea is not without logic. New Zealand has a sheep population of 68 million and a human population of only 3 million.

Sweeping up

VICTOR Rice, the chimney sweep's son from Hitchin, Hertfordshire, who went on to become one of Canada's top. businessmen, has struck on a clever way of saving money. As head of the Varity Corporation - better known, perhaps, under its former name of Massey-Ferguson he has offered to buy back shares from smaller shareholders. Many of the 18,000 shareholders are farmers who bought a handful of shares in the days when Massey-Ferguson tractors were all the rage. But the cost

ments has taken its toll, and Varity is offering to buy out all owners of fewer than 100 shares and pay their stock-brokers' fees. Rice, who left school at 16 and worked for Ford, Chrysler and Perkins Engines before moving to Cauada, also plans to shift Varity's headquarters to America where most of the shareholders live. The move may also appeal to American institutions which are not allowed to own shares in

Own goal A GROUP of dealers from

Wise Speke, the regional broker, are taking to the turf to promote their latest veriture the flotation of Newcastle United football club. For the dealers, based in the London office, have challenged a team of market-makers from Barclays de Zoete Wedd to a game of football tonight. And for good measure, they will be wearing the black and white stripes of Newcastle United. The firm is acting as sponsor to the club which plans to come to the market early next mouth. "This is our way of promoting the launch," says Jeremy Pepper who joined from Charlton Seal Schaverien, the broker, after it was shut in August, "We used to play five a side football every week before joining Wise Speke," he adds. His opponents at BZW include Alan Bristow, who is expected to live up to his trading nickname of . . . the Goalie.

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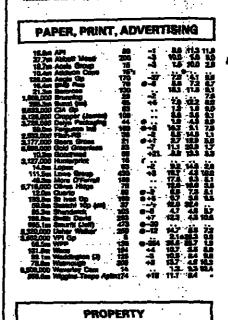
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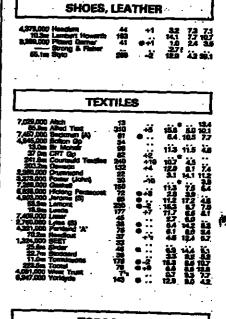
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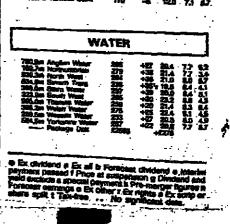
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Test for arbitration leave to appeal

Geogas SA v Trammo Gas Ltd to Trammo to apply to the which Lord Diplock in The Before Lord Justice Dillon, Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Speal, which they did. Lord Justice Leggatt

[Judgment November 14] Leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal under section 1(7) of the Arbitration Act 1979, when a question of law had been certified by a High Court judge, should be granted where the question was one worthy of consideration by the Court of Appeal; the less was not that there had to be a strong prima facie case that the judge was

The Court of Appeal so held by a majority, Lord Justice Dillon dissenting in a reserved judgment granting to Trammo Gas Ltd, the charterers under a charterparty, leave to appeal from a decision of Mr Justice Webster who had allowed an appeal by Geogas SA, the owners, from a unanimous decision of three arbitrators awarding damages to Trammo.

Mr Kenneth Rokison, QC and Mr Peter Gross for Trammo; Mr Peter Goldsmith. QC and Mr Jeffrey Chapman for

LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that since the judge, al-though refusing leave to appeal, certified two questions of law of general public importance Lord Justice Staughton, be-

fore whom the application first me, said that he would have wished to grant leave "but I am constrained by authority . . . not to grant leave unless there is a strong prima facie case that the judge was wrong, this not being a 'one-off' case'

That was clearly a reference to the guidelines laid down by the House of Lords in The Nema ([1982] AC 724), which were principally directed to the giving of leave by a High Court judge, under section 1(3)(b) of the Act, to appeal to the High Court against an award by arbitrators.

The matter came before the full court on a renewal Trammo's application. Mr Rokison's main submission was that the court was not con-strained by the *Nema* guide-lines, and bad a wider His Lordship, after consid-

ering a number of authorities, agreed with Lord Justice Staughton. Since there was no strong prima facie case that Mr Justice Webster was wrong, but it was merely arguable that that was so, leave to anneal should be was so, leave to appeal should be

LORD JUSTICE LEGGATT said that subsection (7) of section 1 contained no equivaunder section 1(7), it was open lent to the earlier subsections

not to encourage appeals from arbitrators' gwards.

Provision for leave to anneal in a form such as in section 1(7) was familiar, but the court's attention had not been drawn to any other context in which the discretion to grant or refuse leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal was fettered.

The notion that any judge worth his salt might take the view, as soon as he had delivered his judgment, that there was a strong prima facie case that it was wrong, was little short of absurd. That militated strongly against any construction of section 1(7) that would yield that result.

The decisions of judges, unlike those of arbitrators, were of persuasive authority interse and might be published; it was therefore of much greater im-portance that their decisions should be correct

That was best achieved by the application of a less strict test for allowing leave to appeal from judges than from For those and other reasons his Lordship concluded that the

Nema suidelines were not into apply in the Given that the judge had to be

fell within section 7(1)(b), the test should be whether the question was worthy of consideration by the Court of Appeal. That would include an assess-

ment of whether there was sufficient doubt about the correctness of the judge's decision to warrant such consideration, whether the decision of the Court of Appeal would add significantly to clarity and cer-tainty of English commercial law, and whether for some other reason the Court of Appeal agreed to consider the question of law.

In the present case, which involved two points of law of general public importance which were not in themselves unusual although arising out of permitting Trammo leave to appeal was the stronger because, having won before the parties' own chosen tribunal of three experienced and legally qualified arbitrators, they had lost on the strong to the indeed fied arbitrators, they had the appeal to the judge,

It was one of the compar-atively uncommon cases in which in the Court of Appeal speedy finality should bow to egal fidelity.

Lord Justice Ralph Gibson delivered a judgment concurring with Lord Justice Leggatt. Solicitors: Ince & Co; Middle-

Admissibility of altered evidence

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Before Lord Justice Watkins

and Mr Justice Otton [Judgment November 19] Where examination of a vehicle to obtain evidence to support a prosecution for failure to maintain the vehicle involved a permanent alteration to the

chicle's condition, that evidence was not rendered in-admissible merely because the defence had not had an opportuuity to examine the vehicle in its original unaltered condition. The Queen's Bench Di-visional Court so held in allow-

ing an appeal by the prosecution against a decision of Maiden-head Justices to dismiss an information against British Telecommunications plc following their decision to exclude evidence under section 78 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984. The defendant was charged

with using a road trailer on a motorway when its braking system was not maintained in good and efficient working order and properly adjusted contrary to regulation 18(1) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations (S) tion and Use) Regulations (SI 1986 No 1078).

Mr Rhodri Price Lewis for the prosecution; Mr John Tonna for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS said that the justices had accepted the defence argument that the inspection of the vehicle by the police expert had so altered the braking system that it became impossible for the defence expert to determine the original state of the mechanism and challenge the police evi-

dence as to its condition. The justices had then ex-cluded the evidence under section 78 of the 1984 Act on the ground of gross unfairness. That had been the only evidence for prosecution. The decision had been wrong and an abuse of the power under section 78.

It was for justices to say, having heard the evidence,

police expert's evidence and conclusion that the braking system was in a state of dis-repair. It might be that, having heard him, they would conclude that they were not prepared to accept that the vehicle was in the condition he said.

As a secondary fact, the justices might hold that the defendant had been denied an opportunity to examine the brakes. That was a matter which went to weight not admissibility and was to be decided after hearing the prosecution case. It was not for the justices to preempt the matter before hearing any evidence.

MR JUSTICE OTTON. having heard the evidence, agreeing, said that it had been whether or not they accepted the necessary for the expert to carry

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There had been no impropriety in doing the examination or obligation to tell the defendant. However, it would be prudent in such circumstances, for the police to inform a defendant and give him the opportunity to

be present. There were other similar situations such as post-mortem or examination of a building after a fire. In such circumstances it might be necessary to disturb remains. That did not render the evidence inadmissible but might affect its weight.

Solicitors: CPS, Abingdon; Mr Colin R. Green.

Power to hear union complaint

Lenshan v Union of Construction Allied Trades and

The court had jurisdiction to 1984 in respect of the conduct of the union in relation to an election to its exective council even though he had already made an application to the certification officer and those proceedings were still proceedings -

Mr Justice Hoffmann so held in the Chancery Division on November 15 on a motion by plaintiff, Peter Lanahan The court had jurisdiction to against the Union of entertain an application by a Construction Allied Trades and trade union member under sec-traction and trades are trade and trades and trade union member under section and trades are trade and trade and trade are t tion and enforcement order.

HIS LORDSHIP said that nothing in section 6(3) of the 1984 Act, which allowed a subsequent application to be made in respect of the same matter, indicated that the pre-

vious proceedings must have been completed first. Were it otherwise it might have unfortunate consequences with regard to the court's pow-ers, under section 23 of the Employment Act 1988, to grant interlocutory relief.

While it might be undesirable that two sets of proceedings should proceed at the same time there would be little advantage to a stay of proceedings in the High Court when the plaintiff could apply there at a later date,

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Defeat leaves Bath to concentrate on league ambitions and offers rivals renewed hope of success in the Pilkington Cup

Concentration the key to Leicester's surprising success

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AS A famous lady said last week, it's a funny old world. Both Margaret Thatcher and Bath have occupied positions of immense authority in their respective spheres during the 1980s, but at least for Bath, the beaten Pilkington Cup hold-

crs, there is a tomorrow, with the league still there to be won. Only Bath's players will know to what extent they relaxed, subconsciously, when they heard that Leicester, on the eve of Saturday's thirdround cup tie at the Recreation Ground, had lost four first-choice players. Hav-ing beaten the same opponents away in the league the previous week, Bath could be forgiven for pre-match confidence at home, even if Jack Rowell, their coach, was worried about the fitness of Stuart

weakness, and they did so with a consistency rare in themselves invaluable scrum-English rugby.

rugby clubs have existed on one bloke who has had to know everything about the backs, about the forwards, about the opposition, about how to cut up

"We have been watched by nearly 21,000 people in the last eight days — that's professional sport and we have to run it the same against Bath, as in the same way. Our players have league game but to move the only four hours contact time, ball about five yards wider.

fears of their own supporters, sideways. Leicester produced 80 min-... 0 utes of magnificent concentra-tion, which earned them victory by a goal and two

penalty goals to ail, brought a sign of relief in clubs up and down the country that Bath's

the competition.

The success of their game plan was a tribute to David Matthews and Tony Russ, the Leicester coaches. But for the players themselves, no praise can be too high: this was a day for the club men, for Rob Tebbutt and Tom Smith and Stuart Redfern, who receive little consideration when the bouquets are tossed out, but without whom Leicester would not function as they do. Tebbutt, in particular, worked wonders. He only came into the side when Neil

Back withdrew with a neck injury but he merged naturally with Richards and Wells. Barnes, his captain.

He was right to be. Leicester had indicated before the match that they intended to pinpoint Barnes as an area of they drove the Bath forwards they drove the Bath forwards. back in the loose, earning mage put-ins, they contested

To overturn not only the every lineout; and they forced Russ ready to mimic IF IMITATION is the sincerest with the club during the week,

trophy for four successive years, winning 22 ties between 1984 and 1988 before losing 4-3 to Moseley. They resumed their domination in 1989 (winning the final against Leicester) and 1990

"It's how you handle players when you are losing that's important," Russ said, a ref-erence to Leicester's 9-3 league defeat by Bath on November 17. "We decided last week that

If ever Bath missed Simon Halliday's midfield strength, it was on Saturday; Barnes, feeling his long-standing groin strain, had no room to kick, down the country that Bath's looming presence was no more, and totally opened up the competition. moved Barnes from large parts of the game.

> One scrum late in the game emphasised Leicester's superiority over the club which, since 1984, had won six out of seven cup finals and had not lost a cup match at home since 1982. Bath had the feed ten metres from the tryline but they were forced back and their midfield found themselves under pressure rather than surging forward.

Only once did Guscott slip the shackles, in the closing minutes when he put Blackett away, but the wing's chip was covered by Kardooni. Kardooni's first-half break, supported by Tebbutt and Tressler, should have produced a try, but Sandford's hands let him down over the less Bath line. None the less Sandford, kicking ahead. helped create the try scored by Brian Smith, who sidefooted the ball to the posts and won the race for the touchdown.

Liley's conversion, with an with the club during the week and we have to give them quality preparation during that the bolders before a capacity crowd of 8,300 (David Hands writes).

Russ, Leicester's director of coaching, said: "They have had it right at Bath for many years, before their coaching team split up, and I want to develop a similar team of 'professionals', with a small 'P. For too long, rugby clubs have existed on one

CORERS: Leicester: Try: B Smith. Onversion: Litry. Penalty gosis: Litry Conversion: Liky. Penalty gosse: Lawy (2). BATH: J Webb; A Swift, A Adebayo, J Guscott, P Blackett; S Bannes, R Hilt; V Ubogu, G Dawe, R Lae, J Half, M Hasg, N Redman, A Robinson, S Ojomoh.

Fleet-foot slays the dragons

London Weish ... IN A game of lions and dragons Fast Eddie reigned supreme. The fleet-footed Rugby right wing Eddie Saunders, produced two flashes of skill that lit up this Pilkington Cup-tie and ensured his team reached the less 16 for the first time.

last 16 for the first time. Rugby, who pride themselves on their Lions nickname, had been sorely troubled by the exiled Welsh until Saunders's

exhed weish until Saunders's first breakaway try, minutes before half-time. The dragons looked about to take a deserved lead as they swarmed near the Rugby line. Saunders scooped such a such a wise hand in Brain, the former England hooker, who, together with Bowman and Jenkins,

the full length to score.

Rugoy Innshet as runaway win-ners by two goals, two tries, and three penalty goals to a penalty. Defeat by a team two di-visions above them is no dis-grace and the Weish must have leadership skills of their injured

Six tries for Saracens

THE first division side, Saraceas, made amends for a 10-6 defeat by Hartlepool Rovers when the two last met in 1985, with a 36-0 success in the Pilkington Cup at Southgate on Samuday. Saracens ran in six tries, but had their celebrations tempered by a groin injury to the lock forward, Dean Dorrell.

Gloucester were even more emphatic with their dismissal of Broughton Park at Kingsholm. Their 52-0 romp included nine

Third round

It turned what seemed a certain Welsh advantage into a 12-3 deficit at the interval. He gave a repeat performance mid-way through the second half to kill off any hope of a revival and Rugby finished as runaway win-

been heartened by their first half display. They controlled the lineouts through Hall, Harries and Peacock but missed the

of lineout, loose and scrum. The lively team Rugby have together has carried them to

together has carried them to second place in the champion-ship's second division — a remarkable feat considering they came close to extinction in the early Eighties. Their only concern now is, if they do the early Eighties. Their only concern now is, if they do achieve promotion, whether they have the depth to maintain

They were struggling to hang on to a 6-3 lead on Saturday and were defending stubbornly when Saunders made his first strike. The Welsh were scuppered.

Even a wind sprang up briefly to torment the Welsh in the second half. As their heads went down their scrum was shunted back for Jenkins to secure a pushover try. Vaudin converted and added a penalty. To round it off, Saunders produced his second try and Hensley went over in the corner. in the corner.

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West Hartlepool show little Saunders lights up respect for fine reputation the Irish By MICHAEL STEVENSON

By CHRIS THAU

West Hartiepool .. Wasps.... London Irish WASPS will long remember Saturday's torrid Pilkington Cup meeting at Brierton Lane, after learning that exaggerated respect for reputations of the famous is not a characteristic of Hartlespool folk.

THE Irish had played Sale six times previously during the past three seasons and every game had been high-scoring and entertaining. The seventh meeting, at Sunbury, in the third round of the Pilkington Cup on Saturday, was no exception. Both sides ran at each other with passion and commitment and had their skill and organis-

ation matched the enthusiasm. it might have been a classic. The Irish, the more enterpris-ing and technically accom-plished side, prevailed by one goal, two tries and two penalty goals to one try and four penalties. Sale, in the process of rebuilding, provided a stern, and until the dying minutes,

and until the dying minutes, unwavering challenge.

The exiles, aware of their relative tack of size up front, and the glut of talent among their backs, decided to throw possession wide. The accomplished

hineout — an area otherwise dominated by the big Sale trio of Parker, MacFarlane and Tim Bainbridge — the Irish stormed out of defence with defiance. The man who allowed the Irish backs to express their potential was the scrum half, Rob Saunders, whose tactics and service were exceptional. He was involved in all three lrish tries, fittingly scoring the third himself following a chip ahead from his stand-off half, Dave Mullen. The joy of the lrish was dampened by the description of their looss head Irish was dampened by the departure of their loose-head prop, Dave Robson, for service with the RAF in Saudi Arabia. SCONERS: London Irish Tries: Corcoran, Neary, Saunders. Penalty goals: Malien (2). Conversion: Mulian. Sale: Try: Staffiebotham. Penalty goals: Hamer (2), Booth (2).

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lcy, driving rain fell for much of the match, which, in the conditions, was a real credit to Crossan out of action

and a penalty to a penalty gives no hint of the disparity in their favour in the number of clear-

Hartlepool folk.

. By George Ace KEITH Crossan, the Ulster and Ireland left wing, will be out of action until the new year. Crossan sustained a fracture of a fibula bone in his right leg playing for Estonians against Constitution at the weekend. One cap away from setting a new record appearance for an Ireland wing, Crossan is confident that he will be back in action before Ireland meet France in the five nations' championship in Dublin on February 2

February 2,
"It is a clean break and I will be out for about six weeks," Crossan said yesterday. "I will have a further medical examina-tion on Tuesday and hopefully the plaster will be removed in a few weeks."

Crossan, who scored two tries for the Barbarians against Argentina in Cardiff last Sat-

urday week, equalled Trevor Ringland's Irish record of 34 international appearances when he played against Argentina at Lansdowne Road last month.

Wright, Wasps' scrum half, scored from a searing break by formerly of Orrell, has tended to take the opposition on single-handed in the past, but he played superbly on Saturday, serving Andrew pounced the penalty and adverse by the left next. tormerly of Orrell, has tended to take the opposition on single-handed in the past, but he played superbly on Saturday, serving Andrew quickly and accurately until the onset of icy, driven rain, then darting, probing and linking with his back row, for whom Ryan, the No. 8, played magnificently.

over via the left post.

Now, however, the wind and

rain favoured the home team and Wasps were defending in

desperation as Lancaster, Simon Mitchell and Howe drove for-

ward fiercely; their defence held, though Stabler's one penalty from four chances, two of them long-range, was also a signifi-

During the closing stages, Wasps' squandered numerous

chances to extend their lead,

before and after Armstrong's

departure with a leg injury.

The game proved that West Hartlepool are a fine side, possessing real pace on both wings, an enterprising full back and a stand-off half who distributes intelligently and can kick prodigiously. They could certainly prosper in the top half of the second division of the championship.

Drawing on reserves of courage and energy of which they may have been previously unaware, West Hartlepool came to terms with Wasps' superiority, especially in the rucks, mauls and lineouts, and, having conceded a 7-0 interval lead, came appositionally close to contains agonisingly close to springing the surprise of the season. The game began dramatically. Even so, Wasps' win by a try

cut scoring chances, after West Hartlepool had come within centimetres of scoring a try virtually from the kick-off.

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By GORDON ALLAN

Sheffield Exeter.....

match that was far from dull at Abbeydale Park, when a penalty goal kicked by Rodgers in the 23rd minute of the first half on Saturday earned Sheffield a place in the last 16 of the Pilkington Cup.

The finish gave the crowd plenty to talk about. Rodgers missed a much easier penalty in

missed a much easier penalty in the last minute of official time. In injury time, Green was short with a penalty for Exeter and, from the scrum that followed.

had a dropped goal disallowed, had a dropped goal disallowed, amid some incredulity.

Martin Humphries, the referee, said later: "The ball went just outside the top of the right-hand post. I consulted the touch judge and he confirmed it." Exeter would have deserved extra-time on the run of play. Like Sheffield, they tried to play positive rugby, bringing in the

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threequarters, but the muddy ball and fierce tackling spoilt the best efforts of both sides. Reichwald, the Sheffield cap-tain, tore a hamstring during the second half and Kerry Morley was switched to stand-off half.

Exeter lost two forwards, Harris, with a thigh injury, and Graham Bess, who was carried off with torn knee ligaments. Green missed, in all, four penalties and two dropped goals; Rodgers failed with three penalties. Saul, on the Sheffield

right wing, showed safe hands, sound defence, and pace. There were close things at both ends. But the gods had decreed there would be no tries.

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W Davison.

EXETER: I Stewart: S Dovell, M Writington, A Baker, J Hoskins; A Green, A Maunder; R Stumen, R Pugsley, T Harris (rac: G Medicon), G Bees (rep: M Oxland), H Langley, R Bess, M Sweet, M Cathery, Referee: M Humphries (Notis, Lincs and Derby).

Fortune fails to favour the brave

By Peter Bills

High Wycombe..

THE folklore of cup competition, whatever the sport, is and glorious storics of what might have been. Events at Kingsmead Road on Saturday followed a different path: it was a case of what should have been. High Wycombe, leaders of the South West League first di-vision, ensured that the gap in vision, ensured that the gap in class between themselves and Moseley, from the national first division, became so small as to be negligible by the end of a rousing cup-tie. Only errant goalkicking from a player renowned for his consistency cost the Buckinghamshire Cup winners a famous victory.

ners a famous victory. Moseley, always on a hiding to nothing, impressed no one but escaped with a fortunate win. However, their long-term prosperity in both cup and

league hardly seems likely.
The lack of authority in the Midlanders' game was disturb-ing. Given their lineout superiority, they ought to have been able to shut the junior club

out of the match.
Instead, Moseley's 15-3 interval lead, courtesy of Amizen's five penalty goals, all for offside at the breakdown, was seriously

threatened after half-time.

Smith, successful with only two penalties from seven attempts, landed his second before the robust and impressive Beal strode powerfully through some shaky defence for a try which made it 15-10. Moseley men shuddered, and not just

from the bitter cold.

A glonous flowing move by High Wycombe narrowly failed to bring a score and Arntzen punished another technical infringement with his sixth, and decicity and But it was the first decisive, goal. But it was the first division side which was hanging

on long before the end. High Wycombe enjoyed territorial supremacy for most of the second half but Smith's wayward kicking allowed Moseley an escape route. Bartlett, though, who had led his men with great gusto, preferred to blame himself and his colleagues for the concession of the

crucial penalties.

If this proves a cathartic experience for Moseley, then it will have been of some value. For High Wycombe the confidence they will have gained

to cut short Ferrasse reign

BLAGNAC, France (AFP) -Albert Ferrasse, the president of the French federation, survived weeks of revolt over his leader-ship when he retained his position, which he has held for 20 years, here on Saturday. However, Ferrasse, aged 73, was forced to accept more seats on the federation executive committee for those wanting changes in the running of French rugby. He agreed to let the chief reformer, Jacques

Fouroux, become secretary Ferrasse said: "I am sorry there has been a kind of takeover bid, but we decided that with only a few months to the World Cup, we could not ruin

everything."

ROVIGO, Italy: Gustavo Milano. the former Argentina player, made his debut for Italy on Saturday (Reuter reports).

Milano came on as a substitute:

Yet Bridgend failed to make

any impression. They hardly looked like a team in second position in the premier division.

The home side played the kicking game and kept the

visitors satisfactorily at bay. Nothing more can be said.

For the record, Mark Wil-

liams kicked three penalties for the home side in the first half to

Aled Williams's one, with the Bridgend stand-off half adding

another two after the interval. SCORERS: Abertifiery: Penalty goals: N Wikams (3). Erfogend: Penalty goals: A Wiliams (3).

Test of endurance for suffering spectators clear how serious his offence was, and many considered Picton was harshly treated, but, nevertheless, his dismissal brings to 17 the number of players who have been ordered off in the Heineken Leagues this

By GERALD DAVIES

Bridgend 9 TEN minutes into the second

half on Saturday came an exas-perated cry: "I wish I'd stood at home." It came from a man who had stood in the cold all day in the forlorn hope that he might get to see something approach-ing rugby action.

Not even an extension of

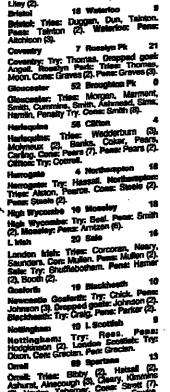
eight minutes of injury time

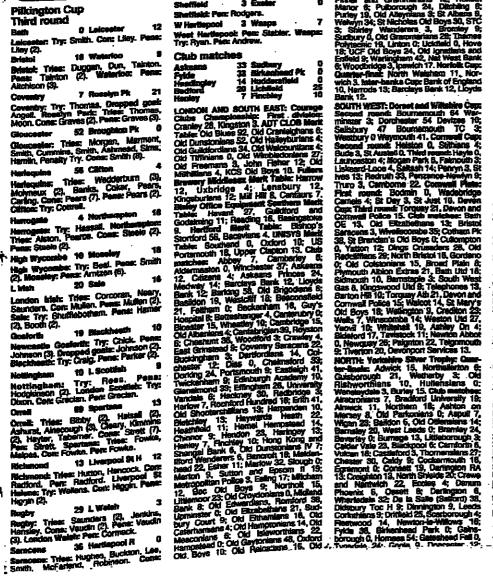
managed to squeeze a move-ment out of either Abertillery or Bridgend that would have been worthy of the man's attention. The extra minutes simply tested his endurance. He re-mained rooted to the spot, wishing that Abertillery could earn a two-point victory that would lift them off the bottom of the premier division. Had he known that Glamorgan

Wanderers, with whom they shared this dubious honour, were beating Swansea, he might have seen no point in hanging On.
Abertillery were reduced to 14 men when their captain, Picton, was sent off three minutes into

ABERTILLERY: M Williams: C Sutier, M Davies, A Richards, S Davies; C Mogland, L Davies; S Duggan, W Jervis, S Clark, I Davies, A Offers, E Williams, M Picton, L Owen. BRIDGEND: C Bradshew: G Webbe, G Thomas, S Prachard, R Dolock: A Williams, R Howley; D Austin, L Phillips, D Rees (rep: P Marring), S Bryant, P Kawulok, N Spender, G Thomas, O

Thorburn is on target







WEEKEND RESULTS AND TABLES Haeton Moor 10. Glossop 29: Houghton 28, Wasnishe 10: Hull Ionians 10, Preston Grussboopen 18: Keighley 18, Sestoy 3; Karsel 8, Old Satians 12; Keswick 4, North Ribiteachie 19: Kintolingley 13, Heaste 0: Leeds CSSA 18, Schoton 19; Lymen 18, Widnes 22: Minthy Old Boys 4, De la Satians 19: Marchester 19: Marchard 19: Lymen 18, Widnes 22: Minthy Old Boys 4, De la Satians (Sheffield) 10: Maiston and Korton 15; Biley 7: Mersist 27, Yambory 13; Marple 6, Manchester YMCA 6; Moorlown 0, Hemsworth 16; Morley 11, Old Crossleyens 8; Netherhalf 9, Merseyside Poice 22; Newrath 8, Sandal 13; New Brighton 16, Winnington Park 19; Newcastle University 10, Medicals 13; New Brighton 16, Winnington Park 19; Newcastle University 10, Medicals 13; North Durham 18, Chester-le-Street 8; North Burtham 11, Leigh 8; Ormstörk 27, Sandbach 8, Novocastlens 17, Penrith 7; Oldhem 13, Leigh 8; Ormstörk 27, Blackdum 12; Olfey 16, Bradford and Bingley 9; Percy Park 9, Blaydon 15; Ponteland 4, Acklam 20; Port Sunlight 4, Oldersham 12; Olfey 16, Roundale 0, Carliele 18; Pootsciff II, Horden 9; Rossendale 23, Vale of Luna XV 9; Rotherham 31, Roundany 12; Ryton 7, Wissios 4; Sediger Park 6, Roundbeglams 6; Setton 9, Russkin Park 12; Sheffield 17, Wickers 7; Workington 7; Wissios 4; Sediger Park 8, Roundbeglam 6; Vickers 7; Workington 7; Wissios 4; Sediger Park 8, Roundbeglam 6; Setton 9; Russkin Park 12; Sheffield 19; Mindermers 38, Wastelsawa 14, Lincobashire Cast Cuernier-Insits: Luncoln 25; Southporpe 17, Sleatord 8, Mitth ANDS: Cube mulchaet Birmingham

Scunthorpe 17, Steeford 6.

MIDLANDS: Club muscines: Birmingham and Solinus 12, Wilmstow 15; Birmingham Avelsh 37, Old Magoleans 15, Corby 4, Huntingdon 29; Darby 20, Wolverhampton 10; Dudley Kingswintord 4, Samblord 14; GEC-AEI Rugby 38, Aylestons Athletic D: Learnington 20, Macches field 0; Listarworth 29, Southwell 13; Moderns 10, Ponterinact 16; Newsert 6, Sandel 13; Moderns 10, Ponterinact 16; Newsert 6, Sandel 13; Moderns 10, Northampton Mens Own 4; Mottinghamians 24, Amber Valley 22; Emanuels 3, Kenilworth 16; Old Classingonians 25, Rienddey 0; Old Oals 3, Bewelley and Stourport 8; Old Santieurs 3, Trinhy Garld 22; Otney 25, St Alberts 36; Paviors 18, Classmethed 9; Raddrich 16, Bridgnorth 4; Southam 16, Coventram 6; Spertans 15, Periston 7; Sundard 10, Bourwille 9; Rod 10; Davenport 3; Terrworth 0; Bertard 3; Walsall 68, Station Goldfield 3; Varweick 6, Earrston 16; Wellingborough OG 8, Merhet Boewarth 16.







PRELAND: Useer: Senior League: Colleges 22, Arnagh 4; Portsciown 9, Ouser's University 27; Cay of Deny 14, Arts 41.
Leienter: Senior League: Monkstown 12, Useer 6, Ouser's 10, OLSP 3, Memories 11, Outpin 22; Richard 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: University College Cork 15, Outpin 22; Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League: Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 12, Highfield 8, Waterpark 9, Cornacht Senior League Linkers 10, OLSP 3, Memories 10, OLSP

Postponed: Tredegar v Ebbw Vale.

WALES: Heinsten Langue: Second division: Aberavon Herioquins 20, Whentam 4: Blains 0, Liertwaran 12; Bornymsen 0, Moutain 14; Narberth 12, Floriney 12. Third division: Blackwood 26, Postypool Urd 6; Cillynydd 22, Kidwelly 12; Liandowsy 12, St. Petara 3; Rubin 6, Kenfig Hill 24; Tumble 13, Tenby 21.

WOMENS SRITISH CHAMPONSHIP; First division: Bedford 0, Richmond 45; Bornley 18, Bath 0; Sorensons 28, Waterloo 0; Wasps 22, Newport 4.

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Plaudits for a Great Britain rugby league side gallant in defeat as a series victory is again beyond reach

linical Australians prove too strong

Great Britain

AMID all the sadness and inevitable recriminations given a single penalty chance and took the wrong option.

Then, from the second-hard control of the sec feat on Saturday, there is a that a British player slipped danger that a key factor in the his marker, a second tackler, outcome will be overlooked. and, if required, a third, was Australia produced one of the there to mow him down. most disciplined and professionally ruthless performances seen in an half back, a few chip kicks international match between from Schofield and Davies,

the traditional rivals. man of the international three try-scoring openings, board of rugby league — to put finished with clinical things in perspective.

bley and Old Trafford and as the British dream of a first don't take anything away from series victory since 1970 died. the Kangaroos' performance. They have not won in this Their tackling display was one country since 1959. of the greatest I have seen from an Australian side."

given a running chance.

R TRIPL A BITTO 'S TR STICK

plined that Britain were not Britain tried the elusiveness

and, with an air of despera-On a grey and dismal tion, some forward lunges afternoon at Elland Road, the from the tireless Hanley, who after-match mood of the Brit- was named Britain's player of ish players, management and the series, Dixon, Harrison spectators mirrored the wea- and Platt. Then, when the ther. It needed an Australian British sting had been drawn, - Ken Arthurson, the chair- the Australians carved out

precision. He said: "Don't forget that After the thrills of the Great Britain made this a truly great and dramatic series with their performances at Wem- was a dispiriting anti-climax, their performances at Wem- was a dispiriting anti-climax.

Elementary tactical misom an Australian side." takes and handling errors
Therein lay the key to Great hindered Britain and helped Britain's subdued display and hand over possession and their inability to create any-Only twice did a British on all his replacements.

Offiah and Eastwood, never second row forward, Betts, made a splendid break which The Australian tackling was for once broke the Australian merciless, and yet so disci- cover, but he seemed totally unaware of Schofield inside

> Then, from the second-half kick-off, with Great Britain trailing 0-4 from Ettingshausen's early try, the same Ettingshausen fumbled on his own line. A cleanlyheeled ball from the resulting scrum was needed, but, the ball was raked back against the head and the moment lost.

A little later, Davies, who

came on as substitute for Gibson, tried a chip over the top and almost got the touch, but this was the last sniff of the Australian line for Britain. Australia grew in confidence and strength and one of the many effective long passes by the man of the match, Stuart, eluded Schofield's attempt at an interception, and Lyons's cute inside pass sent the huge Meninga surging through for

his customary try. When Meninga added the goal, it was effectively over, and when Daley's remarkable break made the third try for Elias it was merely the signal for the jubilant Australian coach, Bobby Fulton, to send

ton, where the biggest cheer in

itive series and while it was lost, rugby league in this country has gained hugely.

(Hoeds), A Gregory (Wigen); & Hention (Hulf; sub; R Powell, Leeds), L Jackson (Hulf; A Past (Wigen), D Both (Wigen), P Dhon (Leeds; sub; M Gregory, Warring-ton), E Hanley (Wigen). ALSTRALIA: G Belcher (Camberral; A

● The three internationals were watched by 131,389

people, a post-war record. Great Britain received a record £1.2 million from the series, which will offset a loss of £136,000 on the summer tour of Papua New Guinea and New Zealand. The Australians' 13-match tour attracted a total of 258,346 spectators, an increase of nearly 150,000 on their last visit, in 1986 (211,642).

Australia's win put them top of the World Cup points table.



resigned to a quick return to

the second division after

another heavy defeat. They crashed 44-14 at St Helens,

Eastwood's failings emphasised

By KEITH MACKLIN

GREAT Britain players who dragged their weary bodies leaders crashed unexpectedly 14-6 at Featherstone Rovers. Pearson was the match-winner for Rovers, with a 40metre dash for a try and two 50-metre penalties which emphasised Eastwood's failures after Hull had led 4-0 at the interval.

Widnes moved into second place by winning 24-18 viotory at Oldham. Davies scored two tries and Offiah one to enable Widnes to leapfrog Bradford Northern. Bradford were without Hobbs and Medley at Craven Park, and the Hull Kingston Rovers for work took the honours 12. forwards took the honours 12-4. The Australian, Niebling, was man of the match for

Rovers and celebrated with a successive defeat at Warringtry, Lyman getting the other. The Northern chairman their 30-8 win was reserved for

through another 80 minutes Chris Caisley said yesterday the former Great Britain cap-yesterday had mixed fortunes. that David Bishop will not be The worst afternoon was suf-joining Bradford Northern in stepped his way through for a stepped his way through for a fered by Paul Eastwood, the exchange for Steve McGowan. Hall winger, who missed two The misfortunes of Sheffield Warrington try as his side emerged from a six-match crucial penalties as the league Eagles continue. They losing run. slumped to their eighth

RESULTS AND TABLES

SECOND DIVISION: Barrow 18, Helifax 48; Bailey 14, Ryadale York 28; Chorley 8, Carliste 12; Futhern 14, Dewebury 10; Huddersfield 17, Runcom 14; Hurslet 22, Doncaster 10; Leigh 12, Swinton 20;

Rochdale Hornets must feel

and still have but one first division victory to their name. In the second division all the promotion-hunting clubs

won, but one of the biggest cheers of the afternoon was reserved for Nottingham City, who had lost all their second division games this season, beat Brandey 24-21, and their players jumped for joy at the Runcorn Highfield put up a gallant fight at Huddersfield before losing 17-14 to suffer

their 64th consecutive defeat. Surely the tide must turn soon for this brave little club. Swinton won at Leigh in a promotion battle which was delayed by a floodlight failure at half-time. The hardest

struggle among the promotion contenders was endured by Carlisle who squeezed home



Clean pair of heeks: the man of the match, Stuart, of Australia, is pursued by Offiah

Giedeon proves more than a support act for Langer

ASK anyone outside Barsbuttel justify Langer's emergence from to name a German professional and the only answer, at least Yet the 1985 US Masters and the only answer, at least until the close of the 36th World Cup at Grand Cypress here on Saturday, would undoubtedly have been Bernhard Langer. Now the rest of the world knows what Barsbuttel, Torsten

Giedeon's home town, has long suspected: Giedeon is a golfer of suspected: Guedeon is a golfer of quality. Guided tactically and technically by Langer, he proved it last week by winning the team competition and sharing fifth place in the individual event.

At the advanced age of 33, Gideon was a consolidate Haw

Giedeon was a revelation. Hav-ing finished 135th on the money list and lost his European Tour

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at the seventeenth, was round in 72, but as Langer said: "We were just trying not to lose it. We took clubs which left us in a safe place champion provided the craft and skill Giedeon had lacked in so we couldn't take double bogeys." Payne Stewart, of the United his six previous World Cup

forays, and Germany won the title for the first time, with a total of 556, 20 under par, three shots ahead of England and Ireland and five ahead of Wales.

It was not a case of Langer carrying his partner. The Germans both finished ten under par and their lowest score was the 65 Giedeon had in the third round. He thoroughly earned his cheque for \$137,500.

No wonder Langer, runner-up twice as an individual but unplaced as a team before he retired in disgust, was ecstatic. "It's unbelievable," he said. "I don't think anyone expected it, or even hoped for it, except us. Torsten was a little down on himself at the beginning of the Ireland and five ahead of Wales.

Grand Cypress for being "anti-golf in so many ways. What upset me most is that you can be afraid of hitting a good shot. It needs to be a little more himself at the beginning of the week but he improved his week but he improved his attitude and became a different person. He was more relaxed, trying hard and playing better.
"The important thing," Langer continued, "is that Torsten starts believing in himself. He is much better than he gives himself credit for. He has a good sound swing and a good head on his shoulders."

Langer and Giedeon started forgiving.... Too many courses like this and people would give

Langer dropped shots at the played at the Le Quercie Golf last two holes to finish with a 69. Club. the Italian federation's while Giedeon, who had a bogey headquarters, near Rome.

first day's nine holes on the 7,271-yard PGA West course here as the leading money-winner with \$70,000 (£35,000) (John Ballantine writes).

Curtis Strange won \$65,000, Greg Norman \$30,000. Earlier Jack Nicklaus, tongue-in-cheek, had warned Faldo and the other "rookie" Norman: "This year

He watched as Strange birdied

States, whose partner Jodie Mudd floundered 20 shots be-hind him, was the leading individual, on 17 under par, two strokes ahead of Anders Sorensen, of Denmark, with Ian Woosnam, of Wales, and David

Woosnam, of Wales, and David Feherty, of Ireland, nied for third on 276, 12 under par.

Feherty had the best round of the week, his closing 63, nine under par, giving Ireland a glimpse of victory. A budding course designer himself, he is, however, not a great fan of Jack Nicklaus's work. He criticised Grand Cypress for being "anti-

Faldo makes Nicklaus

choke on his words PALM Springs, California — with a 20-yard putt across the Start to his career as an American skins player finishing the first day's nine holes on the 7,271-yard PGA West course here as the leading money-with Michelms water on the strength of the strength

you're just here to watch. Then you can come back again and compete next year." Nicklaus won nothing.

right. Nicklans and Strange cut drives into this lake while Faldo's ball stopped near the

But the Briton pitched to 11 feet while Norman, from the other side of the fairway, practically holed his wedge shot. A total of \$55,000 was riding on the hole because of two previous halves. Faldo holed-out but Norman spun out on to the rim.

IEADING MONEY WINDERS: 1.N Faldo.

Fartier, Sri Lanka were dismissed for 82, their lowest score in Tests, in the first innings. Gurusinha carried his bat through the three-hour innings for 52. Raju, who took five wickets in a 44-ball spell on

Inspired Marshall spins wheel of fortune towards West Indies

On Saturday, when Paki-stan were bowling West Indies

out in their first innings for 195, the second highest

partnership for West Indies

was the 32 which Ambrose

and Walsh added for the last

sumed yesterday morning.

In the hour before Moin pushed Walsh firmly to for-ward short leg, the West

tled, no one more than Mar-

wicket.

CRICKET

From JOHN WOODCOCK IN FAISALABAD

THE second Test between Pakistan and West Indies, now finished with two days to spare, was eventful, fluctuating and frequently dramatic. Twenty minutes before lunch yesterday, Pakistan seemed to be well on their way to winning it. Fifty minutes after tea, they were beaten by seven

wickets. In 16.3 overs between 11.40am and just after two o'clock, ten wickets fell, all to the fast bowlers, for 61 runs, as Pakistan's second innings disintegrated and West Indies, wanting 130 for victory, recled to 34 for three. Marshall and then Wasim Akram bowled like men inspired. The crowd worked themselves into a Indians were discernably ratfrenzy of excitement as they sensed that the match could

still be won. What followed was, for game. them, an anti-climax. nceded when they came together in a way which made the midday convulsions seem all the more remarkable.

It was uncanny how closely

West Indian captain being events followed the contours unsettled by the calling of so of those at Brisbane, except many no-balls. that here the side which won the toss batted first and from start to finish there was never Malik and the ball ricocheted

shall. It became briefly an ominously ill-humoured On the very spot where Richardson and Hooper made Mike Gatting and Shakoor the 96 which West Indies Rana had their miserable confrontation three years ago, Haynes and umpire Riazuddin were to be seen in animated disagreement, the

Defiant Ranatunga is Sri Lanka's last hope

CHANDIGARH (Reuter) — Sri lanks were struggling to avoid an innings defeat at the end of the third day of their Test match against India here yesterday.

The visitors, all out for 82 in their first innings, were 125 for five in their second, needing 82 more runs to make India bat again. Their hopes rest on Ranstungs, the captain, who has scored a defiant 36 not out from 152 deliveries, and Tillskoratne.

152 deliveries, and Tillakerame, who has 11. Ranastungs blended aggression with caution and was severe on Gopal Sharma, the off

Total 82
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-54, 3-50, 4-54, 5-54, 6-54, 7-60, 8-65, 9-77.
BOWLING: Kepit Dev 8-3-14-1; Probinder 9-9-27-1; Raju 17-5-13-12-6; Sharma 17-5-28-1. spinner, and Venkatapathy Raju, the left-arm spinner, when they overpitched. Mahanama was the only other batsman to defy India in the second innings, scoring 48 runs from 213 deliveries. Farlier, Sri Lanka were dis-

match as a whole, though, the umpiring and Haynes's exam-ple did both parties credit. Walsh was bowling when Moin was out only because Haynes had seen no point in continuing with a protesting

These were vital runs. The Marshall from Riazuddin's initiative, therefore, was with West Indies when play reend. It was this, ironically, which caused the wheel to turn. Lunch was taken at 144 Within the first few overs, for four, and when they came Pakistan regained it, Salim Malik finding in Moin a ceeded in five balls to bowi Malik with something virtupartner who seemed undaunted either by the occasion ally unplayable and to have Imran caught at the wicket. or by opponents of such towering physique and When, still in the first over

of the afternoon, Akram was run out first ball from backward cover, Pakistan were staggering. When, then, Miandad was out, trying to slash the first ball of the next over for four, they were gone. In the space of five balls, Wasim Akram had been run out twice in the match. With a superb opening spell, he now did his best to make up for it. Haynes flashed his first ball and the first of the West Indian innings straight to cover point. Best, opening with Haynes as a tactical move, got one just as unstoppable as Malik's. Greenidge,

Total 195
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-78, 3-101, 4101, 5-108, 6-121, 7-143, 8-162, 9-162. Second Innings
D L Haynes & Aleram Razz
b Westin Aleram 0
C Best b Westin Aleram 7
R B Richardson not out 70
C G Greenidge Sw b Wastin Aleram 10
C L Hooper not out 33
Extras (b 4, 16 2, nb 4) 10 playing back, was palpably leg-before. The atmosphere was electrifying. But not for long. Richardson played wonder-

Haynes demurred. In the an average of 14 from his

last paid off some of his dues.

PAKISTAN: First Innings 170 (Salim Matik. 74: I R Bishoo 4 für 47).

74; I R Bishop 4 for 47).
Second Innings
Seed Anwer Rw b Bishop
Shoeb Mohammad b Arribrosa
Zehid Fizzal b Bishop
Sellm Malk b Maratrali
Halon Khar c Logie b Welsh
Javed Mandad c Dujon b Arribrosa
Yantran Khare run out
Al

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-10, 3-88, 4 127, 5-145, 6-148, 7-148, 8-148, 9-148

BOWLING: Bishop 11-1-58-2; Ambrose 13-4-32-2; Watch 9-0-32-1; Marshell 4.2 0-24-4; Hooper 3-1-9-0.

WEST NIDER: First limitings C G Greenidge Tibe b Youris "D L Heynes Du b Aloram Raza". R B Richardson c Saeed Armey b Aloram Raza. C Bast & Moin b Youris

L Hooper flow b Younis L Logie c Moin b Younis P J L Dujon ibw b Wasim Akram I D Macshall b Wasim Akram

Total (3 wids) 190
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 8-34.
BOWLING: Wiston Alorato 12-0-45-3 (nb 3); Wager Younis 92-41-0 (nb 1); Alorato Razz 7.2-1-37-0; Muston Alorato 1-1-0-0.
Unipires: Kittas Hayat and Riszaddin.

Born-in-Yorkshire rule unlikely to be dropped THE full Yorkshire committee

meets tomorrow to decide whether they should dispense with the unwritten rule that only those born within the county's boundaries should play for the club (Martin Searby writes). The 20 district members (Geoff Boycott will be absent) will respond to a recommendation from the cricket committee made after a meeting with Steve Oldham, the manager, and Martyn Moxon, the captain.

While the decision rimains confidential it is understood there will be no immediate change, although there may be a relaxation of the rule, to allow those with a long residential

those with a long remnance, qualification to play... A minority of the committee, however, think it essential to sign an overseas player to arrest an alarming decline in membership, which is a little over 8,000.

none of the county's large Asian population has been considered good enough to play for the club,

even at junior level.
Yorkshire have responded by pointing to an initiative last spring when about 500 letters were sent out in Gujerati, Urdu and Bengali inviting players to nets in Bradford. Only a handful unned up and none impressed the coaches sufficiently.

Sussex have homoured Peter

Faton with a spenal award for 25 years service as head groundsman at Hove Faton has been nominated groundsman of the year three times and last season he won the award for producing the best one day pitches in the country.
At Sussex's annual dinner

Eaton received tributes from the TCCB chief executive, Alan Smith, the Hampshire captain, Mark Nicholas, and the Sussey. chairman, Alan Caffyn.

HOCKEY

Defensive lapses confer sad ending

From Sydney Friskin IN MELBOURNE

Great Britain. Soviet Union...

GREAT Britain not only lost their last match to the Sovier Union here yesterday but also sufficient the indignity of finishing last in the Champions
Trophy, a position they occupied at Lahore in 1988.

ned at Lanore in 1998.
It was thought after the heartening 2-1 victory over Pakistan on Saturday that Britain would overrun the Soviet Union; but it was the opposition who did most of the running, having been given all the space they wanted.

the space they wanted.

Bernie Cotton, the team manager, admitted that the gap between the top two or three teams and the rest had widened.

Norman Hughes, the coach, could not hide his disappointment with vesterday's costly ment with yesterday's costly errors in the defence, which was again without Faulkner, whose shoulder injury forced him to retire midway through the sec-ond half of Saunday's match. Hughes said Robert Transact ond half of Saturday's match.
Hughes said Robert Thompson had been omitted from the
original line-up because he was
fangued: Thompson looked
anything but tired, however,
when he enlivered the attack when he convened the attack after coming on as a substitute for Grimley in the 45th minute. The first defensive lapse oc-curred in the 32nd minute, with Potter straying from his post at right back. Antakov hit strongly into the gap, allowing Sergei Pleshakov the room to race past Martin and drive the ball hard

into goal past Rowlands.
The Soviet Union, penalised for obstruction, conceded a penalty stroke which Potter converted in the 48th minute.

But another defensive mix-up followed within two minutes.
Hill collided with Rowlands, allowing Pleshakov to shoot at an empty goal. Garcia's retrieving powers were admirable but he could not prevent Holopov

Australian triumph tarnished

won the event on Saturday for a

won the event on Saturday for a second fifth time.

The Germans, shaken by Corbitt's third-minute goal for Australia, retalianed with goals by Keller, Ness and Reck, leaving Stacy to reduce the lead for Australia four minutes before the end.

As in Bertin last year The Netherlands, secured the silver medal and the Germans the bronze. Pakistan went home empty-handed, pushed into

bronze. Pakistan went home empty-handed, pushed into fourth place after losing 2-1 to Netherlands. A heroic display by Rowlands in goal rescued Great Britain from trouble in Saturday's 2-1 win over Pakistan. Clift gave Britain the lead in the sixteenth minute, Nick Thompson adding to the score from a short corner five minutes before the interval.

Tahir Zaman converted a penalty stroke for Pakistan six minutes before the end.

Gijs Weterings, of The Netherlands, was too scorer with nine goals, followed by Tahir Zaman, of Pakistan, with six and Corbitt, of Australia, with five.

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NETBALL England bow to

all-round superiority

By LOUISE TAYLOR England..

VOCIFEROUS crowd of 5,500 saw England succumb to Australia at the Docklands Arena, London on Saturday. It was England's third defeat by

Australia in as many matches, within a week. The Australians. who return home this week, were superior in skill, size and fitness.

England did well to assume an early 6-3 lead against their more youthful, but longer-timbed adversaries. They were given enthusiastic support from the crowd but the first quarter ended with Australia leading 11-14, and the store was 26-19 by half-time, Australia's marriage of athleticism and accuracy ensured that they created 80 shooting chances, scoring from shooting chances, scoring from 60. By contrast, England, who were less tactically astute, con-verted a creditable 34 out of 55

openings.
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involving English and Austraian universities, the Australians

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Golden Minstrel can spark Gifford double

JOSH Gifford, whose Findon

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a wonderful servant to for East River, most disappointing when beaten at 9-2 on at Ascot ten days ago, in the money over eight seasons. His finest hour came in the Kim Muir at the 1988 Cheltenham festival but he showed he was no back number last season when his good performances included a third to Wont Be Gone Long in the John Hughes Memorial Trophy at

This term, Golden Minstrel has finished second to the mark in the day's most berseeva at Fontwell in October and third behind Novices' Chase, with the tre-Topsham Bay and Bigsun at Cheltenham on Mackeson day when he still looked in need of the run.

The 3% miles of today's Bouverie Handicap Chase should bring his stamina fully into play and give him the edge over Roscoe Harvey, against promising types such fair fifth at Sedgefield on who has some fair placed form as Le Chat Noir, Patrico and Friday, makes a very quick over three miles but has yet to win beyond 21/2 miles and has to concede my selection 57b.

Southern Supreme showed promise on each of his three runs last season and looked much more the finished article Saltburn trainer a treble. string is enjoying an excellent promise on each of his three November, looks the trainer runs last season and looked ruch more the finished article when overcoming his lack of a

Brenchley Novices' Hurdle. A bigger danger to my selection may be Saddler's

Choice, who made a pleasing introduction to hurdling when fourth in a big field at Bangor in April and has since moved from Nick Gazelee to John However Saddler's Choice fares, Edwards should be on

ble-seeking Hilarian. Since being well beaten by the talented Golden Celtic at Uttoxeter in early October, Hilarion has won comfortably at Southwell and Windsor. His experience should stand

Free Agent.

him in good stead today

victories this season have come this month and that fine run should be maintained this afternoon by Golden Minstrel (3.0) and Southern Supreme (3.30).

Golden Minstrel has proved a wonderful servant to for East River, most dishability of the season of the stable's 19 when overcoming his lack of a recent race to beat the dual winner Mister Gebo by half a appeal in the White Horse this chasing type again so soon looks significant in itself and he ahould hold too many guns including a sixth of 19 to Rourbon Spirit in a highly-Bourbon Spirit in a highlycompetitive Sandown novice

> After falling on his first run for Mrs Reveley, Plight Hill was prominent to three out when uinth to Noble Raider in a good 2½-mile Wetherby novice hurdle. The switch back to two miles, allied to a back to two miles, allied to a drop in grade, should see Flight Hill open his account. Michael Hammond, who has made an outstanding start to his training career, should also be among the winners at Catterick with The Maltkills (1.15) and Ametherne Sumeet (1.15) and Austhorpe Sunset

At Nottingham, Duke De Vendome, who has some good hurdling form, can make a winning debut over fences in the Douglas Concrete Nov-ices' Chase while Sphinx, a fair fifth at Sedgefield on reappearance in the George Mary Reveley holds a Farndon Novices' Handicap strong hand at Catterick where Hurdle,

Better Loosen Up Desert Orchid has stiff home in thriller

the £617,044 Japan Cup by a head from the French challenger

Cacoethes and Ray Cochrane were a further head away in third, while the two other Brit-ish runners, Belmez and Ibn Bey, finished seventh and eighth respectively.

Over 161,000 racegoers filled Over 161,000 racegoers filled Fuchu ranecourse to see the tenth running of Japan's premier contest and were rewarded with a thrilling contest.

Better Loosen Up, the 26-5 second favourite, and his jockey Michael Clarke were in middivision continue into the

division coming into the straight as Ode and Cacoethes fought it out up front.
But the Australian colt's strength is his finishing power, and Clarke conjured up a late effort to get up on the line. "It was very close", said the 28-year-old jockey. It was on the line that he stuck his head in

2.30 DAILY MAIL NOVICES CHASE (25,150; 2m 4f) (10 runners)

Bordeaux vintage for Sesame SESAME, ridden by Walter Swinburn, showed her class by defying top weight of 9st 121b in yesterday's £21,436 Grand Prix de Bordeaux, a listed race over 1½ miles.

Mr Pintips and Per Quod, the british challengers, finished third and seventh respectively.

Lester Piggott landed a double on Cocofrio and Bateau Rouge

David Moriey's mare, starting at a generous 13.8-1, beat Lyon's best older horse, Sigmaringen,

THE Australian five-year-old Better Loosen Up gamed the day at Tokyo yesterday, winning the 2617,044 Japan Cap by a respond to Steve Cauthen's urgings when the leaders made their moves in the straight.

Ibn Bey, teo, never got into the race and his young local jockey, Hiroaki Kawazu, could not produce the stirring finish that Richard Quinn had found at Belmont last month.
Better Loosen Up was Austra-

lia's first-ever winner of this race, but was emulating the feats of the New Zealand mare Horlicks, who captured this race last year.

The winning trainer David Hayes is enjoying a dream start to his training career. Since succeeding his father, Colin, early in August, he has dominated the Australian circuit and has now achieved international

Tokyo details

ine that he stuck his head in front."

Cacoethes, like Guy Harwood's Aflez Milord in 1986, just failed to score his biggest success but the colt, sent off at 31-5, still earned connections £157,066.

Belmez, the 24-5 favourite, never looked fike breaking the

on Cocoffio and Bateau Rouge in Rome yesterday. With recent victories at Liverno and Milan,

task in Tingle Creek RACING CORRESPONDENT

THE fans have a treat in store at Sandown on Saturday when Descrit Orchid faces a stern task as the nation's favourite race-horse attempts to win the Tingle Creek Handicap Chase for the

second time.

Predictably, David Nicholson, having already twice administered a thrashing to Desert Orchid in the Esher thriller with Long Engagement in 1987 and 1989, was breathing fire and thunder was breathing fire and thunder was breathing fire and thunder yesterday over his 1990 Queen Mother Chamnis 1990 (seen Mother Cham-pion Chase runner-up, Waterloo Boy, who ran such a fine race in defeat against Karabatic at Haydock on Wednesday, "I think we will get 1915 and, if we do, we'll win," said the in-form Gloucestershire handler bluntly

David Elsworth said: So far, we've had no reason to fear that Desert Orchid might be deteriorating. But basically only time and his races will tell us the answer. We'll be in the dark as much at any time to the said. much as anyone when he starts to race on Saturday." Explaining the reason for his

preference to run in the two-mile limited handicap, rather than Huntingdon tomorrow, the Whitsbury trainer went on:
"He's always loved Sandown and I'm sure the run here will benefit our long-term plans. It will be a race he needs. The main plan is to get him straight

If all goes well with Desert Orchid, he will be attempting to win the Boxing Day spectacular for a record fourth time. Oliver Sherwood, fresh from



Osborne: inspired forcing tactics on Arctic Call

Gold Cup with Arctic Call, said yesterday that his improving young chaser Young Sungit could well give Sandown a miss. "Desert Orchid running has thrown things out. If we are too far out of the long handicap, we'll not run."

What a famous triumph did

the decisive two-length win of the blinkered Arctic Call repre-sent for his laid-back trainer and 23-year-old jockey Jamie Os-borne, whose inspired forcing tactics proved such a significant

factor.
"We didn't want to take on said." Said Sherwood, "But the plan was definitely sharpened him up.
He's not ungenuine, only lazy."
No firm plans have yet been
formulated but Arctic Call will Oliver Sherwood, fresh from the triumph of having won his first-ever Hennessy Cognac to finish second for Nicky

back him for a place only. I knew he wouldn't win, but thought he was certain to finish in the first three. He reminds me a lot of The Tsarevich and could also be a National type." Cahervillahow also delighted "Mouse" Morris in finishing third and will now be prepared for the Vincent O'Brien Gold Cup at Leopardstown in the New Year. The Irish trainer's Trapper John, winner of the Newbury Long Distance Hurdle later in the day, is to return to this country next month for the Long Walk Hurdle at Ascot. Sam De Vinci, the surprise favourite, stayed on late to take favourite, stayed on late to take fourth place but the much-publicised American chaser Von Csadek disappointed when losing his place on the second circuit to finish eighth, beaten a total of 17 lengths. "I was always a bit nervous that he might need four miles," said Henrietta Knight afterwards.

As far as the future is con-

As far as the future is con-cerned, the most significant result of the afternoon was Fidway's comfortable defeat of Atlaal in the Gerry Feilden Hurdle, Tim Thomson Jones is now to run the lightly raced six-year-old in Cheltenham's Buta Hurdle on December 8. "He's never stopped improving, but never stopped improving but only the race itself will tell us if he's up to championship class."
Richard Dunwoody continues to ride like a man certainly to let him use himself
on the second circuit, otherwise
his lact of experience might have
let him down. The blinkers
his fastest half-century of winners on the track on Friday, once again excelled when for-ing an apparently beaten Springholm through from last place to first on the flat to

Selections By Mandarin 1.00 Deadlock. 2.30 Hilarion. 3.00 Golden Minstrel. 1.30 Breakfast Car. 2.00 Carfax.

Michael Scely's selection: 3.30 East River. Guide to our in-line racecard

1 113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,Q,Q) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 12-0 ... Recogned number. Six-figure form (F - fail, distance winner. SF - beaten favourite in P - pulled up. U - unseemed rider. B - brought test racel. Going on which horse has won down. S - slipped up. R - refused: (F - firm, good to firm, hard. G - good. D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days S - soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in since fast outing: F H. flat. (B - blickers. Trainer. Trainer. Trainer. The Times Private winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and Handicapper's rating.

Going: firm (chase course); good (hurdles) 1.0 BREDE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,370; 2m 100yd) (11 runners)

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2 DRANGOK 22 (B,BP) (A Richards) D Beworth 10-10.

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DUBLIN BREEZE SEF (W Hail) M Tomphing 10-10.

PARSE PARSPORT 16F (T Dorse) M Bolton 10-10.

PORT OF SPAIN 48F (Albury Reing) List R Cartis 10-10.

SPAINSNI BRIGGY 11F (J Scot) J Alleharst 10-10.

TYOURN LAD 30F (P Pyths) H Collegings 10-10.

DANCOM BRIGGE 30F (A Robins) Pat Mitchell 10-5.

2 FRANCIS PUBLISHES IS (M Johnston) G Rigby 10-5.

TROUBLE ACT 20F (M Johnston) G Rigby 10-5. AL ACE 30F (R Handry) R Vo

1989: GCCD SPARK 3-10-0 J Leech (3-1) R Akuburut 10 ran 1.30 BRICKHURST HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,544: 2m 4f) (3 runners) 1 FU4/31/ PHPS PRIDE 386 (D.C.S) (Mrs E Pints) J (Mford 3-11-11-2) 2)12221- BREAUFAST CAR 251 (F.S) U Gries D Grissell 3-11-3
3 1/31415- CROCK-NA-NEE 236 (D.C.S) (D Harrison) D Sharwood 9-11-4...
BETTRIG: 5-4 Breakfast Cur, 15-8 Pints Prids, 8-4 Crock-Na-Nas.

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2.0 BRIDGE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,652: 2m 100yd) (9 runners) M Hoad (S)
...... T Jervie
...... G Hoore
..... W Ayles (7) Mrs N Ledger —

Long hundleng: Snapshot Baby 9-7, Manhattan Beach 9-6 BETTSIG: 7-4 Colonal Chinstrap, 2-1 Snapshot Baby, 7-2 Carles, 10-1 Sister Chabries, Lyph 1986: CHASHARIELLA 4-10-7 Shoun Murphy (8-4 tov) A Davison 4 ran

FORM FOCUS CARFAX last of 4 basen over 301 by Shape Pisyer (gave 20th) at Kempton (3m, hrosp, good to firm). Earlier best Scots Lad (red 20th) here by 201 (2m St, set hide, good to soft).

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Selection: CARFAX.

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Date Hickorns — J Osborns — D Monte BETTING: 3-1 Harrion, 4-1 Le Chet Noir, 9-2 Aldra Bond, 6-1 Patrico, 8-1 Pakmeraton Boy, 12-1 Free nt, Gablett, 14-1 others. FORM FOCUS HEARMON best Thursby (rec 7fb) by 21, with PALMERSTON BOY (swelt) 294 4th at Windsor (2m 51, nov ch, good to firm). ADRA BOHD was a diseppointing odds-on favourits when 323 3rd to Copperite (rec 6fb) at Wolverhampton (2m 41, nov ch, good to firm). LE CHAT MORE 21 2nd to Persian Luck (rec 18th) at 15 2nd to Persian Luck (rec 18th) a 3.0 BOUVERIE HANDICAP CHASE (£3,496: 3m 2f) (4 runners) Long handicap: Jim Bowle 8-7 BETTING: 11-10 Golden Minstrel, 5-4 Floecoe Harvey, 8-1 Sneekspenny, 33-1 Jim Bowle. 1909: FAIR CHILD 9-11-9 P Verling (5-4) D Murray Smith 4 ran FORM FOCUS SHEAKAPENNY, betind when losing tils rider 3 out behind Semeun at Worcester (2m, frozp ch, good). Earlier 1434 6th to Memberson (rec 60) at Sandown (3ms, frozp ch, good to firm). ROSCOE HARVEY 431 3rd of 4 by Assaglawi (sevels) at Kempton (3m, frozp ch, good to firm). ROSCOE HARVEY 131 3rd of 4 by Assaglawi (sevels) at Kempton (3m, frozp ch, good to firm). ROSCOE Selection: ROSCOE HARVEY 3.30 BRENCHLEY NOVICES HURDLE (£1,370: 2m 6f) (15 runners) OF BLUE BUCCAMEER 786 (Mas D Price) T Foreier 7-11-0. 806- KING OF THE WOOD 282 (B King) J Bennetz 5-11-0. MEDIANE (M Bradstock) M Bradstock 5-11-0. (SMP4- MOURT EATON FOX 295 (D Greig) D Greig 7-11-0. 80-0 OWEN SOMER 7 (I Lown) W Komp 5-11-0. 90-0 PARSONERY 225 (M Helstead) G Enright 5-11-0. 40MFR-2 PUCKS PLACE 17 (F,Q) (J Beltinge) N Gazelee 9-11-0. 4 BADDLER'S CHOSCE 219 (Mrs I Philipp) J Edwards 5-11-0. 9-0 SUN-KING JOHNNY 23 (Mrs R Murdoch) Mrs R Murdoch 4-11-0. 910976-2 SUNCA 17 (Mrs W Morrat) M Wildinson 6-10-0. 9097-WELCOME TERMISS 298 (Mrs R Murral) M Bolton 6-10-9. BETTIME 2-1 Southern Supreme 5-2 East River, 4-1 Pucks Place, 9-2 Sacklier's ..., G Rosse (7) BETTHIC 2-1 Southern Supreme, 5-2 East River, 4-1 Pucks Place, 9-2 Seddler's Choice, 10-1 Sunda, i Mount Eston Fox, 20-1 others. 1989: QANNAAS 5-11-5 S Smith Eccles (6-13 fav) Mrs D Haine 9 ran FORM FOCUS EAST RIVER odds-on to PLACE will be better for the run when 10 2nd to Polar Vision (rec 550) at Ascot (2m 44, nov hdis, good to firm). SOUTHERN SUPPLEE was herd-ridden when beating Mister (asto (gave 12b) by 14 at Windsor (2m 45, nov hdis, good). BUNCIA 61 Windsor (2m 45, nov hdis, good). SUNCIA 61 Windsor (2m 45, nov hdis, good to firm). PUCKS Huntingdon (2m 44, nov hdis, good to firm). PUCKS Belection: PUCKS PLACE (nep)

Blitzkreig tops Carmody treble

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, dublin

2.30 GEORGE FARNDON NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (Lady riders: \$2,364: 2m) (11

1902: KIND'A SMART 4-10-13 Geo Armytage (11-2) K Morgan 9 ran

1989: CROSS MASTER 12-11-11 J Railton (6-5 fav) T EM 4 ran

1908: CITY INDEX 3-10-12 R Durwoody (12-1) N Smith 9 ran

Course specialists

2189 ALICANTE (SF (D.P) (A Winstanley) P Blockiny 10-12.

8 EASTEINS PLEASURE 5 (Mrs v Wood) M Dickinson 10-12.

82045 (E.A-YEMOU 8 (Winsing Post Racing Ltd) C Alian 10-12.

FRENCH RIY 14F (K Flood) Mrs A King 10-12.

GREAT SERVICE 31F (A Watson) R Thompson 10-12.

FRENCH BLAY REPORT (B (Coppe) F Jorden 10-12.

FRENCH (B, SP) (G Cople) N Callinghan 10-12.

4 SPASSEN WHICH SE (J Bostock) J Bostock 10-12.

THE PROCEGUAL SEF (Mrs. L. Starling) P Felden 10-12.

WALLSTRAND 25 (J Lincon) J Lincon 10-12.

TRAINERS

BLITZKREIG gained a fine ten-length | following instructions, asked him to

bilitzkreig gained a fine ten-length victory, under top weight of 12 stone, in the InE8,000 Fortria Handicap Chase at Navan on Saturday.

Tommy Carmody, who had been unseated when trying to hold up Blitzkreig in his previous start, let him stride on this time and he was in front from the second fence. He jumped fluently and was never in danger.

His trainer Edward O'Grady said that the grey would now go for the Durkan Brothers International Chase at Punchestown next month.

The opposition there will include Carvill's Hill, who was brought to Navan by Jim Dreaper for a schooling session after racing, and jumped 14 fences over two miles and five furlongs. Punchestown next month.

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As long as he was allowed to do things in his own manner, Carvill's Hill jumped cleanly but when Ken Morgan, running under Rules for the first time.

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Surveillance on Beech Road

A DOPING warning to the Newcastle racecourse authorities caused Beech Road to be Irishmen had inside information on the doping. The letter before the 1989 champion hurdler won the Bellway Homes scurity and Beech Road was passed on to Jockey Club after his experiences at Newlocked in a stable overnight ton on the doping. The letter before the 1989 champion hurdler won the Bellway Homes Fighting Fifth Hurdle at Gosforth Park (Michael Seely Security block as possible.

have been a better performance than it looked on paper," said sible precautions were taken and Toby Balding after Richard the matter is now being investi-Guest had driven the 6-4 on gated. If anything is discovered, favourite past the post 2½ the matte lengths ahead of Royal Derbi. "He hated the whole experience."

Although Not only does he like company

looking over the door of his box, he also didn't drink properly." David Parmley, managing director and clerk of the course, received a badly-typed and illit-

"Because of this, it might rive been a better performance an it looked on paper," said sible precautions were taken and the matter will be referred to the

Although the form of Beech Road's win may be suspect, the horse who finished fourth to Kribensis last March showed all

castle. If he doesn't run on December 8, his championship preliminary will probably con-sist of the Birdlip and the Bishop's Cleeve Hurdles in the

Morley Street, winner of the Breeders' Cup Chase at Belmon Park, will run in the Fred Rimell Novices' Chase at Worcester next Monday, "Because the Breeders' Cup race is classed as a chase, he's got to go through his novice programme this year. his old power as he went clear After the Fred Rimell, we'll om the second-last flight. probably go for a novice chase at Talking about future plans, Kempton on Boxing Day."

CATTERICK BRIDGE

Selections By Mandarin

12.45 Flight Hill (nap). 1.15 The Maltkiln. 1.45 Damart. 2.15 Marejo. 2.45 Leven Baby, 3.15 Austhorpe Sunset. 3.45 Majestic Golfe. Michael Seely's nap: 3.15 UNCLE ERNIE,

Going: good to firm

12.45 WHITE HORSE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,370: 2m) (8 runners)

1 1320 SURE METAL 16 (D.F.G.S) D McCain 7-11-7

15-8 Sure Metal, 11-4 Blacksburg, 4-1 Flight Hill, 8-1 Prince Bishop, 14-1 Deep Legend, 20-1 Dawasan, 25-1 others. 1.15 NOVEMBER CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HAN-

DICAP CHASE (£1,995: 3m 1f 80yd) (5)

1 1122 DORONGUM 9 (D.F.Q.S) A Harrison 11-12-0 R Gentity
2 PZZU CHIPCHASE 10 (F.Q.S) B Wildingon 18-11-10
1 Risingh (3)
3 522- ROCKCLIFFE 263 (F) T Cunningham 11-11-5. N Smith
4 FP-3 THE MALTICIM 19 (V.Q.S) M Harmond 7-11-3
5 FQ2 COMEDY FAIR 8 (C.Q.S) P Blockley 10-10-13
P Midgley (3) 5-2 The Maltidin, S-1 Doronicum, 4-1 Chapchase, Cor Pair, 10-1 Rockoliffe.

1.45 BRADFORD SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (21,716: 2m) (15)

4 3/66 SWIFT WARRIOR 54 (D,F,G) D McCain 9-11-

4 3/85 SWIFT WARRIOR 54 (D.F.G) D McCain 9-11-4

5 Pyts SIGURADARIA 18 (D.S.) P Daton 7-11-0. What 8 Sillet
6 000- ROOSTERS TIPPLE 67 MV Staterby 4-10-13 R Markey
7 45F; BELLA BANKS 852 (D.G.S.) J Birkett 8-10-8... A Jones
8 10P/ DISCOVER GOLD 26F (D.F.G.) K Bridgevater 9-10-7

9 /B-P FAST REALM 18 (D.F.) D Wellcome 7-10-6... C Grant
10 -42D FAST APPROACH 17 (V) M Harmond 4-10-8 J Quian
11 UAP- WAVERLEY GRE. 1845 J Winnardight 4-10-5 J Quian
12 201- TOPSOL 256 (B.F.D.S.) D Winter 8-10-0....... A Carrol
13 /2-5 (SMOYS CRISSADE 4 (G) D Winter 7-10-0 P McChemott
14 55/P SOARBIG EAGLES 13 T Korney 6-10-0. Susen Korney
15 P00/ BELLE BLE BLE 78 W Smith 5-10-0...... D Coadel
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Course specialists

TRAINERS: N Tinker, 15 winners from 49 runners, 30.8%; F Watton, 3 from 13, 23,1%; M H Easterby, 19 from 87, 21,8%; G Richards, 19 from 81, 20.9%; J J O'Nell, 4 from 20, 20.0%; Mrs Barler, 3 from 17, 17,87%. JOCKEYS: G McCourt, 5 winners from 12 ridee, 41.7%; N Doughty, 14 from 72, 19.4%; C Grant, 28 from 158, 17.7%; A J Quint, 4 from 23, 17.4%; J Calleghan, 5 from 29, 17.2%; D Byrne, 5 from 31, 18.1%. 2.15 W L AND HECTOR CHRISTIE MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (22,660: 2m) (5) 5 GP4 NEWMARKET SAURAGE 13 (D,F,G,S) T Kersey 9-10-0 D Williagor

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The surprise 100-1 Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Norton's Coin is set to make his comeback this week, but his trainer Sirrell Griffiths has still to decide whether it will be at Hereford on Wednesday or Chepstow on

Saturday's results

Newbury An-Bharr (5-2): S. Western Dandy (3-1): 4
ran.

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far): 3, Black Humour (5-1): 5 ran.
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(33-1): 3, Caherrilarhow (20-1): Sam De
Vend 4-1 fev. 13 ran.
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3 ran. 3.28 1, Young Polony (13-6 tay); 2, Bell Giass (9-2); 3, Charlion Yeomen (14-1), 20 ren.

Newcastle

.12.30 1, Blatt Knell (11-6 fav); 2, Dook-lands Express (4-1); 3, ida's Delight (20-1). 8 rep. Table 1, Desir Hamme 1.

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Dark Record 11-6 fev. 5 ran.

2.8 1, Beech Read (4-6 fev); 2, Royel Derbi (7-2); 3, Unarif (14-1); 5 ran.

2.8 1, Doe For The Pot (4-1); 2, Cogent (4-1); 3, Pageloto (9-1); Elder Prince 6-5 fev. 9 ran.

2.5 1, Coe For The Pot (4-1); 2, Cogent (4-1); 3, Pageloto (9-1); Elder Prince 6-5 fev. 9 ran.

3.5 1, Eastern Whitpper (7-1); 2, Master Description (3-1); 3, Ranga (4-1); Persuppive 11-4 fev. 11 ran. NR: Charlotte's Emms.

3.35 1, Housely Last (10-1); 2, Lasty Tolon (5-4 fev); 3, Wicings (16-1); 8 ran.

NR: An Jim Lad.

Michael Bowlby is likely to be out of action for about two weeks with a suspected broken bone in his foot, which was

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Broke (10-11 fav); 3, Classey Boy (13-2). 6 12.45 1, Springholm (2-1 fev); 2, Therand Sharr (5-2); 3, Western Dendy (2-1), 4 can.

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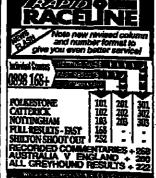
> 12.40 1, Le Tenseralte (Evens fav); 2, Silory Fille (2-1); 3, My Swan Song (33-1). 1.18 1, Institute [14-1]; 2, Kenndabil (5-2 fav); 3, Royal Mazi (8-2), 14 ran. 1.40 1, Nappy Bhaed (8-1); 2, Creenger (15-2); 3, Cometti Star (6-1), Jimsy Jack 5-4 fav, 5 ran.

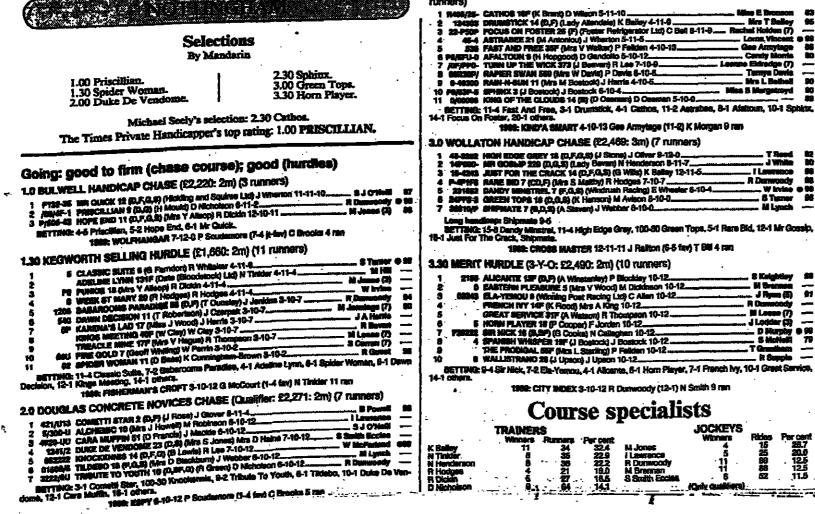
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bone in his foot, which was kicked after he fell from Counterpunch in the Speen Novices' Hurdle at Newbury on

Bowlby said: "I think I have broken a bone, but it doesn't feel too bad and hopefully I won't be A De l'American de la Campione, L'American general système à 1 mag. Hong Kongt C'E

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Arsenal retain ambition for title

By DENNIS SIGNY

Queen's Park Rangers.. 1

ANY suggestion that the League championship was determined by the Football Association's deduction of two points from Arsenal can be dispelled. George Graham's side in-

ased its unbeaten sequence to es, equalling their best start to a season, and with Manchester City drawing at Anticld they in essence made up the two-point loss on Liverpool. In a crucial week for Arsenal they face Manchester United at Highbury on Wednesday in a Rumbelows Cup fourth-round tie and then Liverpool, six points shead of them, in the televised game on Sunday. Although they needed three

late goals to overcome a defaut Rangers side beset by injuries, Arsenal showed the teamwork and determination that under-lined their appetite for the

Don Howe, the Rangers coach, employed a five-man defence and switched Sansom to the right to man-mark Limpar, a highly effective ploy. In the absence of Parker and Mo-Donald, Howe used inexperi-enced youngsters at the back; in the absence of Falco, he de-ployed Wegerle alone up front.
Wegerle produced the form that might well induce Graham Taylor to indicate he has a chance of international recog-

nition with England.
In a first half that at times seemed like men against boys, Rangers surprisingly took the lead on the stroke of the interval. Adams's challenge on Wegerle produced a pe

wegene promeet a penaty, and Wegene got up to score his twelfth goal of the season.

Wegene plays in the mould of Marsh and Bowles in the Rangers No. 10 shirt, with panache, and he nearly rewrote the script after 47 minutes. A brilliant turn to find space led to a shot that udded off the bar. Roberts held Arsenal at bay

with some great saves. Twelve minutes from time, though, Merson capitalised when Rangers failed to clear a free kick. Campbell, who had replaced Groves, gave Smith the chance for a second goal after 84 minutes. Three minutes later, Campbell dispossessed Bardsley

and strolled through to score with the air of a master. The score did no justice to Howe's team, now one place from the bottom after five Successive League defeats.
Howe admitted he was seeking reinforcements and will ask
Arsenal for the loan of either
Linighan or Pates.

UEEN'S PARK RANGERS: A Roberts; D erdsley, K. Sansom, R. Herrera, A CCarthy, B Law, R. Wildna, S. Barker, C Yeon (sub: D toria), R. Wegerle, A. Sinton,

Walker strike is consolation

ENGLAND'S female footballers were overcome 4-1 by the might Germany at Wycombe Wanderers yesterday (Louise Taylor writes). The visitors led through Heidi Mohn before karen Walker equalised with an eye-catching solo effort in the 27th minute.

Six minutes later Germany edged back in front, thanks to a header from Ursula Lohn, and they scored a third through Mohn just before half-time. They dominated the second half, Mohn securing the fourth goal to complete her treble in the 53rd minute.

Barclays League

Pressure tells on Liverpool

STUART JONES

LIVERPOOL, out of sorts and out of character, could be coming back to the field with een speed. Their lead in the first division has been reduced to six points and, unless they undergo an extensive transformation, it promises to have been cut to three by the end of the televised fixture at Highbury next Sunday

By the end of the match at Antield on Saturday, Liverpool's unbeaten League record was bent, buckled and all but broken in the 2-2 draw with Manchester City. "We were fortunate to get even a point," Kenny Dalelish con-ceded after his side's aura of invincibility had dissipated for the second time in a month by a Manchester club.

Arsenal might care to consider how Liverpool re-sponded to their defeat by United in the Rumbelows Cup. Four days later, they visited north London and beat a club considered genuine contenders for the title, Tottenham Hotspur.

It was thought then that Liverpool's loss at Old Trafford might be merely a momentary lapse. Not so. City, during an occasion equally laced with emotion, again illustrated how vulnerable, incohesive and impotent Liverpool can be when they are subjected to sustained pressure.

As well as being thinly disguised as a Merseyside derby (there were no fewer five Evertonians in City's line-up), the match was sprinkled with additional spice. Adrian Heath, speaking on behalf of his colleagues, revealed the spirit which has been formed instantly for the sake of the new player-manager.

"We were all so pleased that Peter Reid was given the iob," he said. "We are going to keep working hard to make sure that he has a successful spell in charge."

Their intentions were evident. City matched Liverpool for industry which; as Reid suggests, is their principal hidden strength. People call them a great passing team and often overlook how hard they work off the ball," he said. Because City were prepared to expend all of their energy, they not only consistently disrupted Liverpool's rhythm, but also

By Peter Ball.

STATISTICS tell their own bleak story. Sheffield United will go into December eight points adrift of the rest of the

rst division and still searching

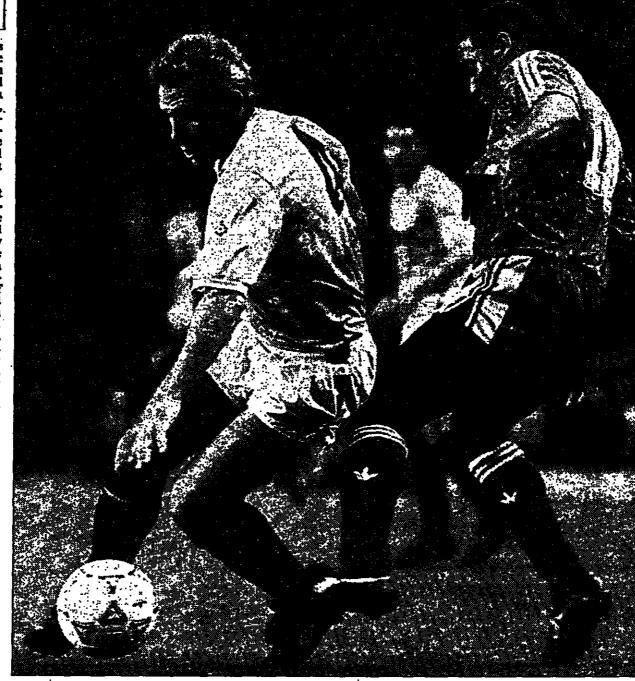
for their first win of the season.

They have not scored a League goal for six games, and

to compound matters on Sat-

Sheffield United ...

Sunderland ...



Managing very nicely thank you: Reid, Manchester City's leader on and off the field, shrugs off Barnes's tackle

iser amid the extraordinary closing stages.

Liverpool, compelled to play unusually deep and hur-riedly in their own territory, resembled a shadow of themselves even before they were struck down by injuries. The re-arrangements were so extensive that only half of the side finished in the position they started and one of them, Grobbelaar, was disabled.

kitty, the signs are already beginning to look ominous for

Dave Bassett, the United man-ager, and his team. Yet events

on the field, and then Sunder-land, told a very different story.

"They're very close to getting it right," a mightily relieved Denis Smith, the Sunderland manager,

With Rostron slipping

Having tweaked a groin muscle, he could not kick with his right foot. Gillespie limped off early in the second half with a dead leg and Dalglish admitted that Barnes, though physically fit, was short of match practice.

Those difficulties cannot be partially blocked. In the ensuused to diminish City's indisputable superiority.

They had hit a post and been denied one penalty before Ward put them ahead on the hour with his fifth penalty of the season. The source of their openings lay in Quinn Since he is as aesthetically pleasing as a giraffe in full gallop, the elongated centre orward is often underrated.

Liverpool could convinc-ingly contain him neither on the ground nor in the air, where inevitably he is supreme. After shaking an upright, he made a more substantial contribution with a header which Grobbelaar

ager's words) that presented Sunderland with their first away win.

With no money left in the But Deane, Bradshaw and Sabbiadini accepted the second opening with the certainty of a born goalscorer.

But Deane, Bradshaw and It would be interesting to see

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Luck still eludes struggling Sheffield

most delicate of lobs and ing scramble Whelan, never Liverpool were in command comfortable as a converted for the first time. right back, felled Ward. It did not last. In the dying seconds, Quina, with another precise header, scored City's

During the week, Reid had urged his players to be positive. Yet they were forced to retreat by Liverpool's belated sense of urgency and by the introduction of the dan-gerous, albeit erratic, Rosenthal in the last ten minutes.

As soon as he came on, Rush equalised with an involuntary nod. The Israeli international, who played such a productive role towards the end of last season, subsequently completed a swift counter-attack with the

second opening with the cer-tainty of a born goalscorer.

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MANCHESTER CITY: A Dibble: Brightsvall, N Pointon, P Reid, C Headry S Radmond, D White, A Heath (sub: C Allen), N Quitm, G Megson, M Ward.

second goal to claim a moral

victory. "If they played like that every week," Dalglish

said, "they wouldn't be so far adrift." If Liverpool play like

that on Sunday, they won't be

so far abead.

Rangers make the running

RANGERS moved to the head of the Scottish premier division for the first time this season when they beat Celtic 2-1 before 52,565 spectators at Celtic Park yesterday (Roddy Forsyth writes). But Deane, Bradshaw and Marwood all missed from good positions, Norman made four or five splendid saves and, when he was beaten by Bradshaw and Deane, the equally impressive is beginning to look if they will need something sensational. On this form, they would be a sad

Ally McCoist, a half-time substitute for Maurice John-ston, scored the winning goal after beating the offside trap. Johnston opened the scoring in the eighth minute before Paul Elliott replied for Celtic.

Four Rangers and two Celtic players were booked in a rugged encounter, from which Celtic might have taken more on

8 and Q Scottish League

CELTIC Effort 39 52,565

Lineker adjusts the **Spurs telescope** on distant leaders

By CLIVE WHITE

Tottenham Hotspur..... Norwich City ...

THE TEARS LATING A NI IVEMER 26 1990.

"IS THAT the hand which shock the hand of God?" David Stringer enquired after sharing a handshake with Gary Lincker in the corridor afterwards. It was a pity that the Norwich manager's question fell on deaf ears, even if divine intervention was not the sole reason for Touenham's vic-

For more reasons than one, Maradona would have been proud of Lineker's two-goal performance at White Hart Lane on Samrday which helped put Liverpool back in Totten-ham's sights, albeit telescopic ones. When it comes to finishone, the England forward has few peers and was the chief dif-ference between two fine ference between two fine footbelling teams. Heaven help Tottenham indeed if their financial problems should force them to sell him.

corresponding fixture last sea-son, but there was not much evidence of Norwich being forearmed. Marking may not be part of the English game but there are of the engish game out there are times when special players de-mand special treatment and Lineker is one of them. The job demands great concentration and only a handful of English players have been able to develop the art.

Apart from being Totten-ham's biggest danger, as con-firmed by his eight League goals, Lineker's practice of coming deep sometimes for the ball makes it all the more insertive surely that he is closely pa-trolled. Norwich's centre backs found it increasingly difficult to

pick up his runs.

But if Norwich ignored Lineker at their peril their decision not to man-mark Gascoigne either turned out, on this occasion, to be the correct one.

A couple of cameos apart,
Gascoigne did almost as much posing as he has done recently at Madame Tussauds for waxwork. In the crucial moments of the game he found himself by-

short passing movements from either side, some quite dazzling. either side, some quite dazzing, it was curious that Tottenham's occasional use of the long ball should prove to be their most effective weapon. Stringer quite properly blamed his team's vulnerability to it upon the amount of possession that they conceded in advanced positions.

Norwich were certainly illprepared to deal with the speed and stealth of Lineker six minutes into the second half when he rounded off quite ruthle long ball from Allen which Stewart had nodded into his path. It would seem that Stewart, with just one League goal to his name, has come to accept his role as stooge in the partnership with Linker, but a pretty effective foil he is finally turning out to be.

Stewart was there with pos-sibly a helping hand of his own when Tottenham took the lead with a controversial goal in the 29th minute. There was a sus-picion of one or two handballs as Van den Hauwe's cross came in but, while Norwich stopped playing. Lineker got on with what he is best at.

A combination of the kind of accuracy with a dead ball that Gascoigne would have approved and Thorstvedt's misjudgement was responsible for bringing Norwich level three minutes later. Terry Venables, the Tottenham manager, said that his goalkeeper thought that Crook's cleverly curled free kick was going wide but in the event it went in off the post.

Norwich, who might have scored earlier through Power, then refused another opportuneuron recused another opportu-nity when the blinding speed of the visitors' inter-passing set up a chance for Sherwood. From an excellent position he steered the ball wide. Lineker could have scored blindfold — and with both hands behind his back,

TOTTIBILIAM MOTSPURE E Thorstwide:
Thorses, P Van den Heuves, S Sedgley,
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NORMICH CITY: B Gunt: I Culverhouse M - Bowen, I Butterworth, P Stades, Crook, D Gordon, L Power (sub: R Pleck T Sherwood, R Fox, D Phillips.

T3rd-minute substitute; of Livingstone. His refusal to accept a strictly defined role unsettled Leeds at a time when

they should have been seeking to underline their supremacy.

After surviving an early Coventry onslaught, which would have yielded a goal in the third minute had Edwards not lost his

nerve when well placed. Leeds took the lead in the 23rd minute when Chapman tapped home

after Ogrizovic had hatted, but

Although Leeds subsequently missed several chances to extend their advantage, they were rarely troubled and but for a defensive hunder in the 63rd.

minute would have claimed a

fourth away League win.
Billing's free kick from within
his own half was overtiff, but
Fairclough, having reached the
ball first, steered it into the no-

man's land between himself and

Lukic, his goalkeeper, allowing

Gallagher to steal in and score.

Butcher's learning process continues

By Ian Ross

Coventry City. Leeds United.

THE transformation of Terry Butcher from accomplished nay take some time Butcher's aim this season is to

guarantee Coventry's first diion survival, a task which should not prove demanding provided he is prepared to risk supporters by sacrificing a spirit of adventure for an un-

compromising defence.

On Saturday, against a Leeds side which has matured immeasurably over the past three months. Butcher played five men at the back while handing. Paul Edwards, his left back, the extra responsibility of shadowing Gordon Strachan.

However, with Edwards con-However, with Edwards con-

stantly drawn out of position and Brian Borrows, the right back, inclined to move down the flank to support his attack, Coventry found themselves under-staffed at the back. A more orthodox formation would have denied Leeds the width in which they prospered and it was noticeable that the home side looked more impres-

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Progress despite difficulty

By Walter Gammie

Siough Town.. Kidderminster Harriers . 0 WITHOUT a chairman and a sponsor. Slough proved they none the less have bags of determination as they strength. determination as they str ened their grip on a place in the GM Vauxhall Conference with a nounce a chairman to succeed Alan Humphries, whose drive did much to being Wexham.
Park to the standards required by the Conference. Finding a

On the pitch, Alan Davies and his coach, Mickey Walsh, have fashioned a team of great spirit which overcame a hidcous start, and humbling encounters with Barnet and Kettering Town, to perform solidly enough to fulfil the simple ambition of finishing that from the bottom.

Slough's defence allowed Kidderminster little. The visitors were happy to escape with a draw in the middle of a demanding sequence of FA Cup matches against Woking, which continues with a second replay at Aggborough tonight. On the pitch, Alan Davies and

at Aggborough tonight

Bunting, the Slough goalkeeper, had to throw himself.

Nest to the mist dryston. SHEFFIELD UNITED: S Tracey; C Wilder, D Barnies (sub: R Booker), V Jones, M Morts, P Beseley, B Marwood (sub: I Bryson), J Germon, C Bradshaw, B Deane, W Rostron. Sadly for Beesley, there were no such heroics at the other end as his errors gave Sunderland to compound matters on Sat-urday, Paul Beesley, by general agreement the team's most consistent player of the season, was responsible for the two "horrendous errors" (his mantheir openings. Against a pair as lethal as Davenport and comfortably into a new role as constant supply of accurate, often probing, passes, and with Deane and Bradshaw running Gabbiadini, they proved fatal. Davenport pounced to set up his partner for the crucial first goal WEEKEND RESULTS, GOALSCORERS AND TABLES

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Socioton 2, Durham 0; Tow Law 1,
Ferryhill Ath 2; Whitby 1, Newcastle Blue
Star 2. ASACUS WELSH LEAGUE: Hatio ABACOS WELSH LEAGUE: National di-visions; Ammentord Q, Aberysteryth S; Brecon S, Lisnell 1; Braggand 1, Ton Pentre S; Cumbran 1, Abergavenny 2-litter Cardiff Q, Aten Lido Q; Port Telbot 1, Massing 1. Pentroned: Ferndale v Britzn Ferry. EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chameris 0, Wrostham 4; Clacton 1. Gorleston 4; Watton 2, Branthum Ath 1. BASS MORTH WEST COUNTIES
LEAGUE: First division: Asiron Utd 5,
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Leyland DAF 2, Bacup Barough 2; Permit
4, Mane Road 2: St Helens 0, Colwyn Bay
1; Veudall GM 5, Boole 1. GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier di-vision: Chard 2, Bideford 1; Chippenham Q, Salbush 2; Frome 2, Chary St Mary 1; Radistock Q, Taumon 2; Weston: Super Mare 3, Bristol Marior Farm 2, Positioned: Tomogron v Listeard Ath. SPANISH LEAGUE: Seville O, Barcolong

LEAGUE OF INELAND: Premier chasions Attions Town 0, Shannook Rovers 2 Sonemars 0, Deny City 0, Limerick City 0, Gariesy United 3; Sidge Povers 0, St. Patrick's Advising 0; Waterford United 0, Cork City 2, Shebourns 1 Dundark 2, Leading positions: (ether 15 matches): 1, Cork City, 2 John 2, St. Patrick's Advisit, 15; 3, Dundark, 18.

sideways to save a 25-yard shot by Forsyth early on and blocked a close-tange effort by Davies. Hill made a tracial tackle as Slough's best spell came in the final 15 minutes when the mazy dribbing of Thompson caused Kidderminster problems, culminating when he rounded Jones, the soalkeeper, wide in his area and crossed for Knight, a defender, who had raced forward, hursed himself full length but necessities and the sound of th length but narrowly failed to connect in front of an open goal SLOUGH TOWNS T Bursing T How, M Malineon, A Knight, D Anderson, M Hill, A Dell; N Staciny, B Rate, S Thompson, P Staciny

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Visionary Francis enables Atkinson to have last laugh

thing but a happy return to The Hawthorns for Ron Arkinson on Saturday. Taunted by the bitter chants of supporters he once numbered among his own, and facing a stumble along the road back to the first division, his Sheffield Wednesday side left it until the final four minutes to claim the goals which carned them a 2-1 win over West Bromwich Albion.

As cries of "traitor" rained down from the terraces, Atkinson had justification to feel betrayed by his team, who carved only a handful of chances. Considering that Gary Strodder and Graham Roberts are not the quickest central defensive pairing in the division; this was hardly promotion form.

Yet Atkinson, twice the man-

tion form.

Yet Atkinson, twice the manager of Albion, still managed to enjoy the last laugh. That he did was largely down to Trevor Francis. Introduced midway through the second half, the 36-year-old added breadth and vision to the Wednesday attack. Suddenly the Albion defence was being pulled this way and that, as Francis's promptings presented the visitors with a galaxy of options.

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Appropriately, Francis struck the equaliser, taking his goal well from close range, before Peter Shirtliff secured victory with a header to nullify Gary Robson's first-half effort. une equaliser, taking his goal well from close range, before Peter Shirtliff secured victory with a header to nullify Gary Robson's first-half effort.

But Francis cannot be expected to bale Wednesday out every week. Atkinson will want

however.

A 5-2 win at Oxford United —
their sixth away victory of the
season — ieft Middlesbrough
fourth, two points adrift of
Wednesday, who stay third.
Oldham Athletic dropped to
second, conceding pole position,
after a 2-0 setback at Bristal
Rovers followed defeat at Port
Vale the previous week.

That left West Ham United at
the top — an ant researd for an

marks their best start to a season

after a 1-0 win at Plymouth Argyle, supplied courtesy of a Frank McAvennie goal.

short-sighted.

Eubank ready to take on Jackson and chase another world championship

Graham falls for oldest trick

Benalmadena, Spain closed his left eye, the WHEN Herol Graham American could not looks at the video of his throw jabs without falling World Boxing Council forward on his face and

middleweight title bout had only short hooks to with Julian Jackson here rely on. He needed Graon Saturday night, he will ham to come to him - be kicking himself. He and he did. lost a gift of a chance to become the world cham- take the fight to a man pion he has wanted to be who had the best knocksince he turned professional 12 years ago.

The British boxer will see that just when he was ing dominated the first reach advantage and three rounds, a totally quick footwork unnecessary move in the fourth caused him to be knocked out and to wake up yesterday morning at St Helena's hospital in Torremolinos, where he had been sent as a precautionary measure.

He will see that the title was his for the taking. For he was facing a man with such poor eyesight that Britain, France and Monaco had refused him permission to box in their rings. Jackson, from the Virgin Islands, could barely see beyond a couple of feet and by his own admission could not judge distances as he was

son's vision being further the floorboards with a said, you make one mis-diminished by a blow that crash and had to be take and I'll take it."

. There was no need to out punch in the world -24 clean knock-outs out of 39 inside-the-distance wins in 41 contests.

quick footwork, Graham could have picked off Jackson with the greatest of ease. The doctor had taken a long look at Jackson's eyes at the end of the third and it would have been only a matter of time before he stepped

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fell for the oldest trick of boxers with poor vision. As Jackson made a tactical retreat to the ropes and leant against them, Graham stepped into his parlour. No amount of willing Graham to stand back and box could stop him piling in, his chin thought he was in total waving about. Jackson control," Jackson said. pulled out a right hook. "When I went backwards, Graham will also see There was a clicking I gave him the opportu-that as a result of Jack-sound and Graham hit mity to come forward. As I



Point of no return: Jackson's delivers the blow that ends Graham's dreams

revived by the doctor. Graham will see that the man with little vision had more insight than he himself had foresight. "He was very cocky and

Graham will be out of action for the mandatory 28 days and perhaps may rest for even longer. But mean retirement. After all, it was his only mistake in 45 contests and the punch would have Much will depend on how right. much ambition Graham

Perhaps the saddest outcome of the bout is that Jackson, who may have detached his left the defeat should not retina again, will carry on boxing for the big pay day. He complained of seeing triple when Graham caught him in the knocked out anyone, first round with a big

"I was seeing three Herol Grahams," he said.

MOTOR RALLYING

Wilson battles to sight Finns

THE British drivers Malcolm Wilson and Russell Brookes, both driving Ford Sierra Cosworths, moved up the field to challenge the three "Flying Finns", Markku Alen, Juha Kankkunen and Pentii. Airikkala, as the opening day of the 1990 Lomhard RAC Rally saw its most competitive start yet.

From the first special stage.

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From the first special stage,
Kankkunen placed increasing
pressure on Airikkala, last year's
winner, as both drivers locked
in a spectacular battle through
the slippery spectator stages. It
was the experienced Markko
Alen, however, who surprised
everyone with the pace of his
newly developed Subaru Legacy
to take an overnight lead of just
three seconds.

Wilson climbed through the

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field from his No. 8 starting position to take fourth place as the cars returned to Harrogate. Brookes moved from 22nd at the start of the day to eighth, despite the tracks growing more slippery as each car swept mud onto the surface. Derek Warwick, the grand prix driver, was another to find the conditions hard work in his Subaru, but he was clearly enjoying his rallying debut in 24th place.

frantic pace caused numerous incidents, with almost every front runner leaving the road at some point. Jimmy McRae, the former British champion, and his co-driver David Scnior es-caped unhurt after their Sierra Cosworth rolled out of the event

on the third special stage.
Richard Roberts, of Glouces ter, in a Vauxhall Astra, had a suspected broken leg after crash-ing in the fifth special stage at Chatsworth. Concern at the number of spectators along the route forced organisers to aban-

Another early morning departure from Harrogate today will see the cars tackling a double loop in the forests of North have completed four sections closed to the public. Late stages take in Dalby, Wykeham, Gale Rigg and Cropton before the overnight halt at Harrogate at

/PUIL.
POSITIONS (after eight special stages): 1, M. Alen and I Rivinsid (Fin), Subaru Legacy, Simin 46aec; 2, J. Kantounen and J. Pironen (Fin), Lencis Delta integrale, 20:49; 3, P. Airiticala and R. McNamee (Fin), Ford Sierra Cosworth, 30:10; 4, M. Wilson and N. Grist (28), Ford Sierra Cosworth, 30:18; 5, C. Sahrz and I. Moya (Se), Toyota Celica (314, 30:18; 5, T. Balonen and V. Silander (Fin), Mazcia 323 4WD, 30:22.

RUGBY UNION

IN BRIEF

A golden era ends

THE East German federation whose athletes won 123 Olym-pic medals and 20 world titles in its 32 years of existence, of-ficially went out of business on Saturday and merged with the West German federation.

West German federation.

• Richard Chelimo, from Kenya, the world junior 10,000 metres champion, won the Safeway-Presto cross country race at Gateshead by inches from Paul Taylor, of Copeland. GOLF: Brett Ogle, of Australia, shot a 69 for a five-stroke victory over Wayne Grady, a fellow countryman, in the Australian PGA championship

at Sydney.

Ealing, representing England, retained the European club championship with a final score of 592 compared to the 603 of Warren Point, Ireland.

SKATING: Yelena Bechke and Denis Petrov, from Leningrad, beat the Canadians, Isabelle Brasseur and Lloyd Eisler, ranked No. 2 in the world, to win the pairs at the NHK Trophy in Tokyo.

CYCLO-CROSS: David Baker, of Raleigh Cycles, won the second National Trophy race at Wolverhampton, his second in the series, but was made to work by Chris Young (Ever Ready-Halfords).

LUGE: Markus Prock, of Austria, beat the Olympic cham-pion, Jens Müller, of Germany, in the season's opening World Cup meeting at Altenberg, Germany.

DUATHLON: Glenn Cook and Sarah Coope, handling the cold and damp best, won the 220 winter series final at Telford which involved a 20-mile cycle ride sandwiched between two separate four-mile runs.

JUDO: Kerrith Brown earned £3,000 by winning both the middleweight and open cate-gories at the first prize-money tournament in Britain, the Fox's Masters in Wolverhampton.

BOWLS: Graham Robertson and Alex Marshall recaptured the Hong Kong Bank inter-national classic pairs title for Scotland by beating David Tso and George Souza, of the local Craigengower cricket club, 18-8. TENNIS: Guy Forget, of France, and Jakob Hlasek, Switzerland, won the ATP world doubles championship by beating the Spaniards, Emilio Sanchez and Sergio Casal, 6-4, 7-6, 5-7, 6-4 at Sanctuary Cove, Queensland.

POWERBOATING: John Hill of Cheltenham, captured the world formula one circuit title in Singapore yesterday when he won the last race in the nine-race series and toppled Jonathan Jones, who had hoped to pull off BADMINTON: Helen Troke

won her first grand prix tour-pament for 13 months when she captured the Carlton Vauxhall Scottish Open title in Edin-burgh, by beating Eline Coene, of The Netherlands, 11-3, 11-0. YACHTING: Alain Gautier, of France, was leading the South African, John Martin, by a mile 24 hours after leaving Cape Town on the second 7,000-mile stage of the BOC single-handed round-the-world race. Mike Plant, of the United States, was

MOTOR RACING: The favourite, Mika Hakkinen, of Finland, crashed spectacularly his German formula three rival. the 37th Macau Grand Prix.

NEWCASTLE BEACH, New Booth Wales: Mars: 1, M Pernors (US): 2, B Lynch (Aus): squel 3, D Mansuley (Aus) and G Pringle (Aus), ASP ratings: 1, T Curran (US), 18,584; 2, D Hardman (Aus), 14,574; 3, G Elsorson (Aus), 14,516, Wasses: 1, M Donohus (Aus); 2, C Wason (Aus): squel 3, L Beachiey (Aus) and L

TENNIS

4, 7-6, 6-4. Final: Forget and High Sancture and Casel, 6-4, 7-8, 5-7, 6-4.

BUENOS AIRES, Argenting: Exhibition nuries: M Soles (Yuc) bt & Sabetini (Arg), 7-5, 6-2, Sebetini t M Soles, 3-6, 6-1, 8-4. Overall viscor: Soles.

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Hazishand 3, Grangeburn Cosches 0.

YACHTING ROC SINGLE-HANDED ROUND THE WORLD

Encouraging signs of better times

WHEN Birmingham City were relegated to the third division for the first time two seasons ago, a swift return to higher things was expected. But, as others have found before them,

is no easy matter.

They finished no higher than seventh last year and so far this season have shown scant signs of doing much better. Nevertheless, their chairman, Samesh Kumar, is exploring the possibility of rebuilding the stadium at St Andrew's at an estimated cost of £35million and last year he took the imaginative step of appointing a woman, Annie Bassett, as chief

The annual accounts, published this week, are less en-couraging. They show that the club is still £1 smillion in debt and that, it lost more than £660,000 last year. Kumar concedes that gates of 12,000 are needed to break even; so far this season, the average is 8,000 and

Birmingham draw 0-0 with Bournemouth on Saturday. This is a pity, since those that did brave the cold and rain would have seen evidence of the seriousness of Kumar's intentions. Debts notwithstanding, he allowed Dave Mackay, his manager, to pay £175,000 to Wimbledon for John Gayle in an effort to do something about the team's acute shortage of bridge. Bourness of the seam's acute shortage of bridge. Bridge of the seam's acute shortage of bridge of the seam's acute shortage.

Had they won on Saturday, Birmingham would have moved

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KEITH BLACKMORE reviews the third and

into fifth place but they have scored exactly the same number of goals, 18, as the bottom chib, Rotherham United. Gayle's arrival did not at once improve matters, although he had his moments and should have done better than head wide when Bailey's cross found him unmarked five yards out after only nine minutes.

He did enough, however, to satisfy Mackay. "I was pleased," he said. "He had not played for six weeks so did well to last the

The result did neither side The result did neither side much good because the leaders, Southend United, were beating Reading 4-2 to move 14 points ahead of them and four points clear of the second-placed team, Grimsby Towa, who lost 1-0 at home to Bolton Wanderers.

quay United's match on Friday allowed Northampton Town to allowed Northmanton Town to move within a point of them at the top of the fourth division by beating York City with a goal by

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Referee: D Gallacher,

Davis sees chance to atone

SNOOKER

STEVE Davis began his Storm-Seal United Kingdom championship fifth-round match with a distinct psychological advantage over Wilhe Thorne at the Guild Hall. Preston, yesterday, having won 14 of their 17 career meetings, including the last eight. By the end of the first session, he had also established a real one, leading 5-2, with a possible ten frames still to play.

Since losing in the final to Stephen Hendry a year ago, Davis has had probably the worst spell of his 13-year career, winning only the invitational STEVE Davis began his Storm-

winning only the invitational Benson and Hedges Irish Mas-

fame five, Davis appeared ca-pable of a similar recovery. Athough he drew up to only one

point behind, Thorne outplayed him on the colours to record his first success, and a break of 30, before giving Thorne frame six. A superb swerve shot set Davis up for a fine break of 79 to end the session three frames clear.

Jimmy White, the world No. 4, appeared relieved to be only one frame behind James Wattana, of Thailand, recovering from trailing 3-1 to 3-3 before Wattana took the last with twin breaks of 35.

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HOCKEY

Spencer is sole England newcomer

THERE were few surprises at team, with older players and "It will be very hard not the announcement of the 16- those who have shown poten- having played a match together nament in Spain next month (Alix Ramsay writes).

ton, who has graduated from the under-21s, is the only new name. However in also a large transfer of the large name. However, in also choosing Fiona Lee, Julia Robertson and Aileen Claxton, the selectors have mixed youth with experience. It is a blend that pleases Sue Slocombe, the England coach.

Netherlands, the world champions, and France.

The task is made more difficult by the lack of training time. The last official training weekend before the squad leaves for San Sebastian will be on "I think it is a well balanced

strong England squad for the tial, and now they have a chance four nations' women's tour- to show us how well they can The competition will be any-

end before the squad leaves for San Sebastian will be on

before the tournament," Slo-combe said. "But this weekend has been very productive." The tournament will be the

start of the build-up to the European Cup in the spring.

SHOLAND SOLIAD: J Albine (Bracorory, L. Baytie (Satton Coldfield). K. Brown (Stough), A Chaden (Leicester), Y Dison (powich), K Johnson (Leicester), Y Dison (hightown), J Lauts (Esting), S Lister (pavict), T Miler (Cirton), III. Nevel (Leicester), M Nichols (Esting), J Robertson (Esting), J Stawnith (Button Coldfield), **

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HALPERN AND WOOLF NORTH WEST
LEAGUE: Bleckum 5, Marchester 0; Cheeter 0, Knatsford 1; Desetle 1, Springfields 1;
Northop Hall 3, Marchester YMGA 0; Coom 1,
West Deny 8; Prescot 1, Cheether Hell 1;
Sale 2, Macclesteld 3; Wigen 0, Southport 1.

P/22A EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Bock-enhant 0, Purlay 3; Cambridge Univ 3; Chean 6; Dublich 7; Tube HB 0; Maldenhead 0, O Kingstone 6; Mid Surrey 8, Warbledon 3; Spenger 0, Hampsteed 1; Surbhon 4, Oxford

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Blustnerto II, Badford 1; Chelcusford 2; Harisston Megnies 3; Crostys 2; Bartop's Storatord 2; Ford B. Colchester 1; Ipswich 3; Barty 87 Edmunds 2; Peterborough T 4, Norsich City 1; Westelff 2; Palicuse 2; Wisbach 4, Camba Norsich City 5 PERIOR SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Bourneaguith and WH 1. Fareham 0; Cambanley 0, Turbridge Wells 2 Chichester 3, Anchoriera 3; Enstole 3, Bognor Q: High Wycombe 1, O Tillimonisms 1; Mardian Russets 0, Staines 1; Oxford Herein 3, Winchester 1; Worthing 2, O Millehingithems 1, Wachester I: Worthing 2, O Midwhightims: 1, Hasspakine and Estray siglion: Besingstoke 0, Barnes 2; Epsom 1, Southernoton University 2; Old Estwerties 13, Marton 1; Wolding 6, Walton 1; Kest and Buseux: region: Graves-and 2, Home Bay 1; Hornham 1, Lawes 1; Midland Barix 2, Mid Buseux: 2: O Williamsonniam 1, To Distributions 1; Torthings: 2, Ricchaster and Gillinghum 4. Middx, Bestz. SUMMEY CUP: Cheem 2, Old Whitgitiens 0; Waybridge Hawks 1, Hazaksers 0. METRESENTATIVE MATCH: Army XI 4,

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (INIL): Friday: Philadelphis Flyers 4, Totorso Maple Leafs 1: Hertford Whalers 4, Boston Brains 2: Buffato Sebres 3, Edmonton Ollers 2: Describ Red Wings 5, St. Louis Stone. 3: Westlangton Ceptals 7, Pitaburgh Paguins 3: Membrason Morth Stars 8, Vercouver Canadas 4. Satembay: New York Islandars 2 (OT); Boston Bruites 4, Hertford Whalers 3; Winspeg Juta 11, Coubson Nordiques 4; Chicago Stack Hawis 5, Calgary Fames 2: Los Angales Rogs 4, Montreal Canadams 2; Pitaburgh Penguins 3, Westlagton Captals 2 (OT); Edmonton Citers 4, Toronto Maple Leats 1; New Jersy Devile 5, Minnesota North Stars 2; St. Louis Blues 3, Vencouver Canadas 3 (OT). (CT).
HENGKEN LEAGNE: Pressier division: Dur-hern 13, Murrayfield 4; Notlingham 11, Peterborough S. First division: Basingstoles 11, Traffor 8; Glasgow 8, Swindon 13; Medway 4, Humberside 7; Romford 4, Slough

ICE SKATING TOKYO-NHK Trupby: Plant plackage: Paint: 1, Y Bechka and D Petrov (USSR), 1.5pt;; 2, 1 Y Bechka and D Petrov (USSR), 1.5pt;; 2, 1 Manster and L Beier (Card, 3.0; 3, N Matricultunck and A Desirier (USSR), 4.5, Dances; 3, M Usorn and A Zoufer (USSR), 4.5, S. Calegari and P Cameriengo (D, 6.0; Man; 1, V Petrarico (USSR), 1.5pt;; 2, 6 Higovaniel (Pol), 5.0; 3, V Zagorodnyuk (USSR), 5.0; Wenner; 1, M to (Lapar), 1.5pt;; 2, Trierding (US), 3.0; 3, L Zamostra (USSR), 5.5. JUDO

WOLVERHAMPTON: Four's illusters: Heavy-weight (under Seick 1, R. Stevens; 2, D. White, 3, S. Crose. Middleweight jerster 78th; 1, K. Brown; 2, D. Bouthby; 3, G. Limbert, Light-weight (under 165); 1, O. Pinnod; 2, R. Wance; 3, J. P. Boll, Opens 1, K. Brown; 2, R. Stevens; 3, E. RUGBY LEAGUE

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Hall 4, Maybein 14; Woodpan 41, Pilidegha Becomed division: British Aard 8, Ankam 1 Devembury Celfic 84, East Leads 9; Lock La 12, Grandhand 16; Milturd 6, Shaw Cross 1 Knottlingley 4, Barrow Island 30. BARLA LANCASHAME CUP: Remi-final Leigh Milmer 20, 3; Beddes 8, Thatch Heasth 1 Saddbworth 8. Bakts a Constable CUP: Semi-final: Millio

BRIDGE NORTHERNI LEAGUE: Pinst division: Heaton Mensey 8, Cheadie 13: London Univ 7. Cofford Univ 2: Old Hamaleine 9, Shedfield Univ 13; Old Wasonians 7, Maltor 11; Sheffield Saeliera 8, Timpeniey 9; Stockport 13, Old Stoplordeins 4. Stopsordans 4.

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SOUTH OF SAGLAND LEAGUE: Beened division: Buckhurst Hill 10, Kerdon: A & Cambridge Univ 9, Croydon 7.

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PETWOTTH: Women's seathers counties teamment: Surrey 7, Middlesex 2, Surrey 7, Sussex 2, Owtent 1, Surrey; equal 2, Sussex 2, Owtent 1, Surrey; equal 2, Sussex and Middlesex.
REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Mass. North London 5, South London 3.

LACROSSE

ALTENBERIO, Germany: World Cap: More Biogles infer two runs; 1, M Prock (Austrie), Iron's 49:20ecc 64.85, 54.75; 2, J Moreller (Low), 148.25 (54.76, 54.80); 3, A Hadow RD, 126.83 (54.87, 54.80); Belandes (ariser two runs); 1, S Krausses and J Belandes (ariser two runs); 1, S Krausses and J Belandes (Low) index 27.50ecc (45.86, 45.84); 2, H Reith and N Habor (B, 1-27.88) (44.04, 45.85); 2, Y Menthal and T Rudolph (Ger), 128.25 (44.04, 44.77); Western: Simplese (Stafe two runs); 1, G Kofdsch (Ger), 128.05 (44.14, 42.97); 2, G Weiseerscheinfr (R), 128.27 (44.85, 45.85); 3, C Mylar (US), 128.44 (44.26, 44.18).

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PMG FORESY: National Event Eight: Nice ion, 495m climb; 1, M Chapman (London), 20; 2, M Baghase (Warrior), 8240; 3, P mas (Bouthern Navigadors), 8500, 8240; 3, P Stm. 380m climb; 1, A Badwal (Bristol), 1; 2 D Leaders (Bouth London), 71:39; 3, H aro (Cantinidge Unin), 72:32.

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RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Armold 3, OMT 21;
Bearwood Col 30, Old Royals 14; Baddord
Ardorn 30, The Lays 13; Betworn Abbay 10,
Pontypool Col 6; Birthon's Startind 45; 12,
Richard Hale 18; Benkop Versey GB 20,
Princethorpe Col 6; Bromsprove 3, King's,
Wornseler 36; Calerham 0, Worth 12; Bertlond
11, Greenseler 35; Calerham 0, Worth 12; Bertlond
11, Greenseler 35; Dulse 01 York's 38, Etham
Col 3; Epscm 10, King's, Canterbury 6;
Hallydury 12, Anandel 8; Kent Col 12,
Crestrook 6; Ring's, MecCelested 12, Whral
GS 13; King's, Taurston 24, Monsnouth 7; Lord
Williams's, Theme 4, Deeborough 32; Osthern
SS, Webbeck 11; Portsmouth 35; 26; Time
9; Prior Park 7, Beccham Citi 6; Radiey 52,
Harrow C; Russel 15; Liverpool Col 13;
Shiplate 17; Biocham 12; 87 Centenson's 20,
John Flahar 12; 98; Edward's, Oxford 48,
Stowe 3; 82; John's, Bouthese 22; Circhiester
HS 15; Sedbergh 3, Loretto 4; SF Roger
Manwood's 8, Dover 7; West Buckland 16,
Shebbeer Col 10.

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RACE: Leading positions twith Sydney: Class one: 1, General C. Gestier. Fr. 5,838 miles; 2, Ale-Martin, SAI 5,838; 3, Dursont (A 5,848; equal 4, Irribeoper (D Adams Pearson); 3, Falicitis (P Hamilton-Hill), Classis faux 1, Sisteche (S Jandins); 2, Justi Entall (S Roberts); 3, Jooler (M Urwin), Classis five: 1, Owl (Crimit P Bruch; 2, Locarection (S Crownher); 3, Images (S college; 2, Tracks Jo (F Greenes); 3, Marylanis (C Willoof) (Classis severe: 1, Spottender of Basullay (Dr & Robert), Classis eight; 1, Classis Sweep (D Bradley); 2, Ayala (J Flaming); 3, Ignatius (A Sperce-Cole).

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CYCLING OHESTT: Str-day case (after the days): 1, D. Cark (has) and R Guernter (Ger), 462 pts; 2, C. Royaloon and H. Guernter (USSR), 462 s, U. Royaloon and M. Garoter (USSR), 462 s, C. Royaloon and H. Haint (Switz), 611; 4, A Doyle (GE), and S Yourse (Del), 204; 5, J. Yeogorby (Der) and R Vah Stjetu (Sei), 329; 6, E De Wilde and J Bruyneel (Bel), 253.

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FOOTBALL. PA VASE: First round: Ruisip Marcs v Suctury. LARCHMAGE WINDOWS CUP: Second round, second log: First log score in braclass: Cheimsford (1) v Burnham (2). PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Darby v Sunderland (7.0).

RUGBY, UNION CLUB MATCHES: Scottish Student Oxford University (at Goldenacre, 2.0). OTHER SPORT RALLYNO: Lombard Raily.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: Eurosport 22.30-23.30: College match.
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BOXING: Ecreentport 10.00-11.30 and 20.00-22.00: Professional events. Eurosport 21.00-22.00. BSB 22.00-midnight: Superbouts. TTV 23.50-00.50: Commonwealth super-feedberweight title from the York Half-London.
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GYUNASTICA: Europeat 14:30-15:30: The European systemic championships from Sweden.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

SPORT ON TV

POWERSOATING: Screensport 16.80-17.00: Outboard grand prix from Idaho. POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL: Screensport 07.00-08.00. RACING: Screensport 17.00-17.20: The Jepan Cup. BSB midnight-00.30: Recing RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB 15.30-17.00: Tour metch: Great Britain v Australia. Screensport 22.30-01.00: French Leagus. SNOOKER: BBC1 22.55-23.55: The UK StormSeal Championships from the Quichel, Preston. 2PEEDSKATING: Eurosport 15.30-16.30 and 19.00-20.00: The Women's World Cup from Berlin. SPORTSDESK: BSB 13.25, 18.00, 19.30, 22.00 and 00.30.
SPORTSWORLD EXTRA: ITV 00.50-01.50 (nomorrow): Darts.
TENERS BOWLING: Screensport 18.00-19.15: National women's doubles from

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Lamb takes the blame for self-destruction

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

BRISBANE ALLAN Lamb, his face drained by a day of cricket self-destruction, last night blamed himself for the batting collapse which provoked England's first three-day Test defeat in Australia for 87 years.

Lamb, whose record as stand-in captain is now a melancholy three defeats in three Tests, was also frank as he surveyed the wreckage of a promising start to England's Ashes campaign. "We have got a lot of work to put in if we are even going to compete with the Austra-

England, dismissed for 194 at

Brisbane's Woolloongabba ground on Friday, retaliated with such purpose on Saturday that they claimed a first-innings lead of 42. But then, needing a minimum of 250 to put Australia under pressure on a pitch which had lost its early malice, they were bowled out for a

lamentable 114. Requiring 157 to win, Australia did not lose a wicket as they beat England with two days to spare, something they have not achieved anywhere since 1938 and not in their own country since 1903-04.

Lamb is not often bowed into solemnity but he appeared drawn and emotional when the game ended. He explained: "I am dis-

potentially

appointed with myself more than anything because I was the guy in form and I should have got the big score we needed. Someone had to get a hundred or 150. I blame

Lamb was out in the first over of the day to Terry Alderman, who went on to take six for 47 and resume his extraordinary hypnosis of England's batting. Alderman has now taken 91 wickets in 13 Tests against England; in his last seven his total is 49 at an average of only 16 runs aniece.

In the aftermath of a stunning defeat, Lamb was contrite. "A score of 114, with the pitch as it was

said. "Every batsman knows his own strengths and what he should, be doing in Test cricket, Most of us' have done it before. Today, nobody did what was necessary.

It had been a good fightback on Saturday and to end up losing by ten wickets really rubs salt in the wound. But, to be honest, we didn't look like taking a wicket and we have got to play a lot better than we did here to have any chance." England's team manager, Micky

Stewart, characteristically de-flected all talk of team changes, specifically dodging questions about the opening batsmen. Wayne Larkins failed in both innings of

depth, and although Mike Atherion occupied the crease for two-and-a-half hours, he made only 13 and 15.

Larkins, who was mable to field yesterday due to the effects of an abscess in his mouth, is clearly the most vulnerable player, especially with Hugh Morris, a brave and positive opener, due to arrive in Adelaide tomorrow.

England, whose players all looked bewildered by yesterday's rapid turn of events, will stay in Brisbane until Wednesday, although the Test team was granted a free day today. Their problems are compounded by an innerary which

one first-class match before the second Test, in Melbourne, starting on Boxing Day.

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Allan Border, Australia's captain, joined in the general criticism of the schedule, saying: "It would have been ideal to have another Test before Christmas." But he refused to gloat after claiming his fifth win in seven Tests against England, and nor would he be drawn into writing off the series.

"We had a few heart tremors before winning this one," he pointed out. "I accept that we are favourites now, but I accept it

Time to pause and admire

DAVID MILLER

hame in Great Britain's 14-0 loss to Australia in the third and final rugby league international at Leeds on Saturday. The defeat should be seen for. what it was: a fine team vielding to a better one.

What has distinguished the Australians this autumn is that, caught on the wrong foot in the opening match at Wembley, they raised their game, by relentless applica-tion of their qualities, to an intensity at which being second was no part of their

vocabulary. When Elias scored their third try eight minutes from the end, I had no sense of depression, simply one of admiration, and I'm sure it was the same for many there. Sorry for Hanley and his willing team, yes, yet the Australians had been sharper, harder, quicker and slicker from first kick to last.

That is not to say Britain were outplayed. In the 40 minutes between Ettingshausen's opening try and Meninga's second, there had been memorably anxious moments in which Britain threatened to haul themselves back into contention.

In a game for men, the losers were no less brave, no less tenacious than the winners, just not quite in the same class. When we come to look back upon the series, the turning point, to my mind, was Stuart's last-gasp 70-yard run, bringing Meninga's win-ning try, at 10-10 in the second match. With a guaranteed share of the series going into the final match, Britain's psychology might have been that priceless shade more

confident. When Hanley led out his men, to a stitring rendition of Land of Hope and Glory by the Leeds Philharmonic Chorus, at a steady walk, it was difficult to tell if this low-key emergence from the tunnel portrayed dignity or anxiety. Within moments, we knew what was the mood of the

opposition. Intimidatory. The Australians halted every British move with the clanging finality of a warder shutting the door in Sing-Sing. There was an awesome quality about Australia's power. In possession, Roach, Lazarus and the massive Sironen would carry three opponents

on their shoulders a dozen * yards before being halted. The crisp assurance of Australia's handling was probably the most marked difference. The ball would skim across the field with nnfaltering, staccato precision, despite the rain, to send Entingshausen, Meninga or Daley, moving on a crescendo of power. If Stuart at scrumhalf, with justification, was the official man of the match, my preference would have been for the subtleties, the feigned pass and ball slipped the other way, almost unnoticed, by

Lyons at stand-off. Britain's handling was by comparison loose, with Greg-ory's service, admittedly under unceasing pressure, of-ten slipshod. The backs were snatching at passes, mis-directed high and low. As the ball arrived, they would simultaneously be struck witheringly by a green-shirted

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Alderman haunts England yet again

From Alan Lee

with a lead of 98 and seven

wickets standing pulled his second ball abrasively for

four, but he failed to see out

the over as Alderman began a

decisive spell of five wickets

for 16 runs, instantly reviving

his grip on an England side

against which he took 41 wickets in six Tests last year.

offering a prayer as umpire

McConnell gravely considered

the appeal before sentencing a

was ecstatic. He said: "We had

never seen A. B. [Border] so

depressed as he was after

Alderman did the job all

right, and last night it must

who suffered the nightmares,

were the best of Alderman's

ago, ended differently when he

The last Test anywhere to finish in three days was the

England-Australia match at

Melbourne in 1986-7, when

England won by an innings and 14 runs. England have not lost

in three days since 1985-6, when they lost to West Indies by ten wickets in Trinidad.

Australia last beat England in less than three days at Leeds in

1938, by five wickets.

114 plumbs the depths

Border was at slip again,

the match."

ALLAN Border could not ered recall another Test match like catastrophic. it. At breakfast-time yesterday, the captain of Australia was suffering the strain of a admitted. "You always paint sleepless night and a game he the worst scenario and I sleepless night and a game he the worst scenario and I feared could run away from imagined Lamb making the him. Before sundown, he was bemusedly reflecting on a

three-day win by ten wickets. In the Australian dressingroom there was a party, the Lamb, anxious to assert com-team stereo blasting out its mand as England resumed regular victory theme. Tina Turner's Simply the Best. Next door was silent and solemn as the England players wondered how they had allowed a dramatic fight-back to turn into spineless surrender in the space of a few hours.

It was strikingly reminiscent of the series in England in 1989, except that even then, amid four resounding defeats, England were never dismissed for a score as paltry as 114, nor did they suffer a day of such crestfallen Lamb. Alderman humiliation as this. In twoand-a-half hours, England contrived to lose seven wickets for 58; in the next three missing that catch and it was hours, they failed to take a incentive enough for all the wicket as Australia rattled off bowlers to get out there and do the 157 needed for victory.

There is no question where

this game was won and lost; it happened with the last ball of have been England's batsmen the day's opening over. Terry Alderman skidded his if indeed they slept at all. The outswinger through a jumpy innings figures of six for 47 defensive stroke and dismissed Allan Lamb leg-before. Test career in only his second Lamb had been the cause of Lamb had been the cause of home game against England; Border's restless night and the first, at Perth eight years grouchy mood. Late on Saturday evening. Border had attempted a tackle on a dropped the England captain spectator invading the pitch at second slip off Hughes. As and sustained a sh slip catches go, it was simple. jury which jeopardised his As misses go, Border consid-playing future.

ENGLAND'S 114 is their lowest total in a Brisbane Test and their lowest in Australia since the Centenary Test at Melbourne in 1976-7, when they made 95 in the first innings. It is also their lowest total for 20 Tests, since being dismissed for 93 by West Indies at Old Trafford in 1988. Australia's 152 was their lowest against England at Brisbane since

England at Brisbane since 1978-9.

remained an open contest "I dropped it another 200 only for as long as Smith and times as I tried to sleep," he Russell could stay together. They have, of course, played this role more than once before now and Smith set out to apply the self-discipline with which he frustrated the century which won England Alderman quickly saved his West Indies for protracted captain from his nightmare. spells earlier this year. He had made only a single mand as England resumed

in half-an-hour when he leaned forward to force Alderman through mid-wicket, mis-judged the length and pace and succeeded only in scooping it to mid-on. Stewart played a stroke ill-

Once Lamb had gone, it

befitting the crisis, and when Border summoned Waugh to winkle out Russell, and he obliged third ball, England were condemned. The final total was their lowest against Australia since their 95 in the Melbourne Centenary Test of 1977, and their lowest at the

After the spectacular outcricket with which they dismantled Australia's first innings on Saturday, it was a wasteful way to have batted. Fraser and Small must have felt betrayed after their admirable bowling, while the catches taken by Atherton, Small and Smith highlighted as good a fielding performance as I have seen from this sometimes cumbersome England side.

Australia did still require five runs more than their first innings score to win the game. but the comparison was irrelevant. From the start of play the pitch had reformed in character. It was now comfortable to bat upon, which con-demned the England demise

all the louder. Small, preferred to Malcolm with the new ball, was wild and wide in his first spell; Fraser had no rhythm and 30 were on the board in eight overs. Summoning Malcolm to apply the brake can be an improbable move, but he responded with four consecutive maidens and order was

briefly restored. Marsh and Taylor, how-ever, never gave a hint of a chance as they compensated for their failures on Saturday and reminded themselves of the feast they enjoyed in them, they hit 16 fours. En-gland's pitiful innings had contained a total of seven. Somehow, this summed up one of the most unaccoun ably ill-balanced days of play

imaginable. • BRISBANE: Three members of Australia's Test team — Mark Taylor, Merv Hughes and Greg Matthews — have been omitted for the first two games of the World Series Cup, which starts on Thursday (Reuter reports).

AUSTRALIA PARTY: A R Border (cspt), G
R Mersh, D C Boon, D M Jones, S R
Waugh, M E Waugh, S P C Donnell, P L
Tanfor, I A Healy, C G Reckement, T M
Alderman, B A Reid.

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Down but not out, yet: Lewis takes evasive action to a Waugh bouncer during England's second innings

FULL SCOREBOARD FROM BRISBANE Extras (b 1, Tb 10, nb 11)

First innings		-				
		Ğ.	48	Mine	Balls	
M A Atherton low b Reld	13	~ -	-	91	54	
Caught in mid-shot as ball cut back			_			
W Larkins c Heely b Hughes	12	-	1	42	37	
Pushing forward, outside edge to wicketkeeper	_		_			
D I Gower c Heely b Reid	.61	-	8	182	121	
74 I Lamb a Munbac's Matthews	_		_			
*AJ Lamb c Hughes b Matthews	. 32	•.	5	106	78	
R A Smith b Reid	7			~~		
Played on to superb off cutter	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	-	-	20	13	
A J Stewart low b Reid	4	_	4	22	17	
Indecisve ahot, ball hit left pad roll	•	-	•	22	17	
†R C Russell c and b Alderman	16	_	2	93	74	•
Leading edge straight to bowler	10	-	~	00	/-	
C C Lewis c Border b Hughes	20	. 1	3	44	21	
Diving catch at third allo		•	•	-	01	•
G C Smell not out	12	٠.	1	57	35.	
ARG Freser C Healy b Alderman	٦.	_	:	Ā	~~~	
Followed ball on off stump	-			•	•	
D E Malcolm c Waugh & Hughes	5	-	1	8	. 4	
Chopped down on yorker, straight to third allo	•		٠	-	•	
Extras (b 1, lb 7, nb 3)	11					
Total (78 overs, 331min)	754					
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28 (Atherton 9); 2-43 (Gower 14);	3-11	17 <i>t</i> G		r 55b:	4-123	

FALL OF WILKLETS: 1-23 (Minerton 9); 2-43 (Gower 14); 3-117 (Gower 55); 4-123 (Smith 0); 5-134 (Stewart 4); 6-135 (Russell 1); 7-167 (Russell 8); 8-181 (Small 6); 9-187 (Smith 10).

BOYKLING: Alderman 18-5-44-2 (7-3-11-0, 4-0-18-0, 1-0-1-0, 3-1-2-0, 3-1-12-2); Reid 18-3-53-4 (rib 2) (4-0-11-0, 7-1-21-1, 2-1-2-0, 5-1-19-3); Hughes 18-5-39-3 (rb 2) (6-0-1, 5-1-19-0, 8-4-12-2); Waugh 7-2-20-0; Matthews 16-8-30-1 (3-2-4-0, 13-6-26-1).

AUSTRALIA

O D March Marc France	_	•		-	- Control
G R Marsh the Fraser	9	-	7	29	31
Playing down wrong line to leg cutter					
M A Taylor c Lewis b Friser	10	-	- 1	69	- 44
Edged cut caught knee-high at point					
D C Boon Ibw Small	18	-	_	85	42
Attempting drive through mid-wicket .					-
*A R Border c Atherton b Small	9		1	33	30
Edged drive taken ankle high at second slip	•		•		·
M.D Jones c Small b Lewis	17	_		65	42
Back-foot drive caught low down at cover point	1,5	-	~	93	~
S R Waugh c Smith b Small	•				
Scusse cut caucht at cover		•	_		-
G R J Matthews c Small b Malcolm	-		_		
	33	-	Z	127	93
Sided off drive to third man			_	_	
tl A Heaty c Atherton b Lewis	22	-	2	110	71
Edged ankle high catch to secon slip					
M G Hughes c Russell b Fraser	9	-	1	24	23
M G Hughes c Russell b Fraser	_			_	-
B A Reid b Lewis	0		-	8	8
Slogged over vorker	-			_	_

First innings

G R Mersh Ith Fraser	9	-	1		_
Playing down wrong line to leg cutter					
M A Taylor c Lewis b Freser	10	-	1	69	
Edged cut caught knee-high at point		•			
D C Boon Ibw Small	18	-	-	85	
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Edged drive taken ankle high at second slip	9	-	•	20	
M.D. Jones o Smell b. Laude	17	_	2	æs	
Back-foot drive caught low down at cover point	"	_	_	-	
S R Waugh c Smith b Small	1			7	
Scusse cut caucht at cover				-	
G R J Matthews c Small b Malcolm	35	_	2	127	
Sided off drive to third man					
# A Heady c Atherton b Lewis	22	-	2	110	
Edged ankle high catch to secon slip	_		_		
M G Hughes c Russell b Fraser	9	-	7	24	
Head high edge to wicket keeper moving right	_			_	-
B A Reid b Lewis	U	-	-	8	
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Beaten by low outswinger
†R C Russell ibw b Waugh
Beaten by In-swing playing forward
R A Smith C Taylor b Alderman
Mistired on-drive to wide raid on
A J Stewart c sub b Alderman
Playing hard shot into gully
C C Lewis low b Alderman
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D C Boon, " A R Border, D M Jones, S R Waugh, G R J Mattews, † A Healy, M G Hughes, B A Raid and T M Alderman did not bat. G Hughes, 6 - 1 Heb with 1 M Alberham op not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: BOWLING: Fraser 14-2-48-0 (4-1-15-0, 4-1-12-0, 6-0-22-0) (nb 3) Small 15-2-36-0 (4-1-13-0, 4-1-6-0, 7-0-17-0) (nb 1, w 3) Melicolm 9-5-22-0 (5-4-9-0, 4-1-13-0) (nb 1) Lewis 5-0-23-0 (nb 3) Atherion 2-0-18-0 Man of the Match: T Si Alderman

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Inept United defence gives out a helping hand By STUART JONES. preferred to gamble on youth- and European cup comful exuberance. The risk was petitions. hazardly, was balanced by the FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE last vestiges of Manchester United's League

championship ambitions were yesterday torn away during a televised fixture of wretched quality at Old Trafford. They surrendered to a team holding one of the worst away records in football's first division and which was littered with novices and, according to their own manager, distracted dis-

Bobby Campbell, disheartened by the defeat at Wimbledon, had indicated that he was prepared to omit his most experienced representatives, who had lost either form or nterest, in an attempt to stop an alarming decline. Once Dorigo was injured on Friday, he had to amend his plans. Nevertheless, Chelsea were

still without their captain,

Nicholas, their leading scorer,

Wilson, and one of their most

loyal servants, Burnstead. Since his side had collected

worthwhile because United chose to offer generous Pallister, with a grotesquely

sliced clearance which beat his own startled goalkeeper, helped them at the start and Webb, with an ill-advised challenge inside his own area, helped them at the end. In between United failed to control the ball, their ideas and ultimately the outcome.

Their distribution at the back was usually thoughtless and occasionally reckless. Apart from the creation of their second goal, which shone like a diamond amid the dross, their midfield was rarely anything other than muddled.

They were never considered genuine contenders but a sequence of seven unbeaten games and the prospect of Robson's return indicated that their campaign might not be Since his side had collected so empty. Now they have no only one point from half a realistic choice but to look for dozen away games, Campbell compensation in domestic

Yet their run in the Rumbelows Cup promises to and his cross was measured to be halted on Wednesday at float over the grasp of Beasant Highbury since Arsenal are sure to punish a defence which features two giant flaws. Bruce and Pallister were as undistin-

guished as each other. Pallister, in trying to block the path of Durie, swing his right boot at Wise's chip and put Chelsea ahead. Minutes later, Bruce needlessly put the inept Phelan in trouble close to the centre circle. He was dispossessed by Townsend, who galloped away unhindered to increase the lead.

In a frenzied exhibition of errors, it was appropriate that the source of United's immediate response should also be a mistake. Beasant, notably uncomfortable after missing four games through a broken finger, flapped feebly at Pallister's header and shovelled the ball onto the head of the diminutive Wallace. His the penalty. reply was firmer.

The contest, lurching hap-

and onto the forehead of the advancing Hughes. Chelsea's defence was otherwise an impressive unit.

In contrast to the opposing central defenders, Cundy and Monkou were prominent. Graham Taylor, England's manager who has selected Cundy for the under-21 party, describes him as one of the most efficient young markers in the country. In containing Hughes, he enhanced his growing reputation.

Stuart, one of two England youth internationals pro-moted by Campbell, also played a part in Chelsea's winner. As he accelerated into United's area, he was adjudged harshly to have been baulked clumsily by Webb and Wise, using power rather than accuracy, forced home the penalty.

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